

First Look At Vatican Council

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ROME, Vatican Council II—Among the first questions a Baptist news reporter asks as he seeks to understand the 21st Ecumenical Council of the Roman Catholic Church are these: Why do Catholics have councils? Why are they called ecumenical? Who makes up the council?

In explaining councils Roman Catholic writers point out that: (1) The bishops, together with the Pope, govern the church, (2) the Pope needs the advice, help and instruction from the bishops, (3) councils have great psychological effect on matters of faith and morals by having the force of more than the Pope alone behind them, (4) the publicity given councils helps the public to understand the church, and (5) a council is one way the church carries out its teaching mission.

Many problems have given rise to councils in the past. For instance, among other things NIOEA (325 A. D.) declared the divinity of Christ, Ephesus (431) declared Mary the Mother of God, Lateran (1215) enacted laws regulating Catholic communion and confession, Trent (1545-1563) took action to counteract the Protestant Reformation, and Vatican I (1869) defined Papal infallibility.

Some of the reasons for Vatican Council II have been given as: (1) Revision of Canon law regulating the liturgy, the lai-

ty, marriage, and other internal matters, (2) Renewal or reform of the church in order to enable it to meet modern problems of scientism, atheism, the resurgence of non-Christian religions, the unity of mankind, and to prepare the church for the new age into which the world is entering; and (3) to open doors looking toward the ultimate unity or union of all Christians.

The word "ecumenical" means general or universal. The Greek word from which it is derived means "pertaining to the whole of the inhabited earth." Hence, a Roman Catholic ecumenical council is a meeting of bishops from all over the world wherever the Catholic faith exists.

Christian Unity Envisioned There is another sense in which Vatican II is an ecumenical council. That is its concern for the ultimate reunion of all Christians due to modern threats to the existence of Christianity the Roman Catholic Church envisions the unity of Christians as one of the safeguards of the faith. Doors that have been shut to other communions are being opened. Attitudes that have erected barriers between Roman Catholics and others are being torn down. Explanations of doctrines are being rewritten so as to make them more acceptable to non-Catholics. A secretariat on "Christian unity" is actively at work.

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State Convention Set Next Week

Colorful History Cited

The Mississippi Baptist Convention, which will hold its 128th session next week, is nearly 127 years old and has had a colorful and eventful history.

The "Convention of the Baptist Denomination of the State of Mississippi" was constituted on the afternoon of December 24, 1836, at the "Meeting House" of the old Clear Creek Baptist Church at Washington, in Adams County.

At the time of this action Mississippi Baptists had 122 churches and 4,287 members. Growing phenomenally over the years, the Convention today has 1,828 churches and 483,689 members, (1962 figures) with six institutions, two Boards and one Agency, supporting a far-flung program of missions, education and benevolences.

The convention was constituted by a small band of delegates (now called messengers) who had gathered on the day previous from several churches to form a convention for "Missionary purposes, and other objects with the Redeemer's Kingdom on Earth—Particularly in the State of Mississippi."

At the time of the organization meeting, roads were bad, the weather inclement and a large wood stove was installed in the church for the convenience of the delegates.

In 1837 Natchez was the largest incorporated town in the state with a population of 3,731. Vicksburg was second with 2,796 and Columbus third with 1,448. Jackson had 520 inhabitants while nearby Clinton boasted 613.

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Mission Gifts Up For 1962-63

Preliminary, unaudited figures reveal that the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board received \$4,387,243 during the past year, according to a report just released by Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the Board.

This includes the gift received from the churches for all mission causes, the income of the Baptist Record, that of the assemblies and camps, and other miscellaneous receipts. The mission gifts from the churches totaled \$3,866,553, an increase of \$26,811 over the preceding year.

Cooperative Program receipts were \$2,552,076, a decrease of \$51,059 while designated gifts totaled \$1,314,477, an increase of \$77,871.



FRONT VIEW of sanctuary of Jackson's historic and commodious First Baptist Church which will serve as host to the Mississippi Baptist Convention next week for the 22nd consecutive year. Insets show Dr. Russell Bush, Jr., Columbia, president, (left) and Rev. Vernon May, Louisville, who will preach the convention sermon.

BAYLOR UNIVERSITY VOTES TO INTEGRATE

WACO, Tex. (BP)—Trustees of the world's largest Baptist school, Baylor University, voted here to integrate the Baylor system.

The trustees approved a committee report which said that "Neither race or color be a factor to be considered in the admission of qualified students to Baylor University."

Board members set no date for the new policy to take effect, and directed Baylor pres-

ident Abner V. McCall to implement the policy.

The trustees, meeting in closed session did not announce the results of the vote, but said it was not unanimous. They agreed at the beginning of the meeting that only the official statements of the chairman and the president be made public.

Chairman of the board Hilton E. Howell of Waco said the action was taken "after a prayer for divine guidance," and after "full, free and amicable discussion."

A nine-member committee headed by Earl C. Hankamer of Houston made the motion to integrate the Baptist school.

The committee, appointed by chairman Howell last November, made a one-year study of the question of integration at Baylor. The committee's report stated:

"Whereas, Baylor University as a private school has the right to select its students and may exercise that right of selection to serve best the purposes and policies of the university and the denomination which owns it; and,

Has No Written Policy "Whereas, Baylor University has no official written policy

Up to 1,500 Mississippi Baptists, coming from every county in the state, are expected to be in Jackson next week for the 128th session of the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

The annual convention of Mississippi's largest religious denomination will get underway Tuesday morning at 9:30 o'clock in Jackson's First Baptist Church with adjournment set for Thursday night following the annual youth night session.

The youth night session will be held for the second straight year in the Mississippi Coliseum with Dr. Chester E. Swor of Jackson, widely-known Baptist youth leader, as the principal speaker.

Mississippi Baptist young people and adults from every section of the state practically filled the 10,000-seat Coliseum last year and convention officials are predicting a "full house" this year.

Jackson's historic First Baptist Church will be host to the convention this year for the 22nd consecutive year, with Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins serving as host pastor.

Several high spiritual hours are anticipated for this session, according to Rev. Bill Causey, of Jackson, chairman of the Committee on Order of Business, because of the large number of outstanding out-of-state speakers scheduled. These include:

Dr. Ramsey Pollard, pastor Bellevue Baptist Church, Memphis; Dr. James W. Middleton, pastor First Baptist Church, Shreveport; Dr. Jaroy Webber, pastor First Baptist Church, Beaumont, Texas; Rev. John Haggal, Baptist evangelist of Atlanta; Dr. Malcolm Tolbert, associate professor of missions,

New Orleans Baptist Seminary; Dr. Loyd Corder, secretary department of language groups ministries, Home Mission Board, Atlanta; and Dr. Penrose St. Amant, dean School of Theology, Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

Those to represent various Southern Baptist Convention agencies will include Dr. Floyd Chaffin, the Annuity Board, Dallas and J. M. Crowe, the Sunday School Board, Nashville. Scheduled to represent the Baptist Memorial Hospital, Memphis, will be Frank S. Groner, administrator.

Scheduled to call the convention to order Tuesday morning is Dr. Russell Bush, Jr., a Columbia dentist, president.

With the general theme of "World Missions Our Mission", the program for this year has been planned differently from those of prior years.

May To Preach

The opening Tuesday morning's program will feature the keynote address by the president and the convention sermon by Rev. Vernon May, pastor First Church, Louisville.

The emphasis for each session will be as follows: Tuesday afternoon, "our mission through stewardship and evangelism"; Tuesday evening, "Through state missions"; Wednesday morning, "through (Continued on Page 2)

SUGGESTED ORDER OF BUSINESS Mississippi Baptist Convention

First Baptist Church, Jackson
Nov. 12-14

THEME: "World Missions Is Our Mission"
TUESDAY MORNING
Our Mission . . .

- I. Through Organization—
9:15 Organ Prelude Hazel Chisholm
9:30 Song and Praise Frank Loper
9:35 Scripture Reading John W. Wade
Prayer J. S. Riser
9:40 Organization of Convention
Call to Order
Recognition of Messengers
Report of Committee on Order of Business
9:50 Welcome and Announcements W. Douglas Hudgins
9:55 Introduction of New Workers Chester L. Quarles
Pastors
Music and Educational Directors
Superintendents of Associational Missions
Directors of Student Work
State Workers
10:10 President's Address Russell Bush, Jr.
10:50 Report of Committee on Committees
10:55 Resolutions Presented and Referred
11:05 Presentation of Budget Earl Kelly
11:15 Special Music Louisville, First Church Choir
11:20 Worship Hour:
Scripture Reading and Prayer Clifton Perkins
Convention Sermon Vernon May
Closing Prayer James Walker
12:00 Adjourn

TUESDAY AFTERNOON Our Mission . . .

- Through Stewardship and Evangelism—
1:50 Organ Prelude Hazel Chisholm
2:00 Song and Praise Richard McCormack
2:05 Scripture Reading Bob Allston
Prayer Trent Grubbs
2:10 Message L. Gordon Sansing
2:35 Election of Officers
Miscellaneous Business
2:55 Historical Commission J. L. Boyd
3:05 Baptist Foundation Harry L. Spencer
3:15 Retirement Plans Floyd B. Chaffin
3:25 Stewardship Commission Porter Routh
3:40 Special Music Clarke College Choir
3:45 Message Jaroy Webber
Closing Prayer Bob Odenwald
4:20 Adjourn

TUESDAY EVENING Our Mission . . .

- Through State Missions—
7:00 Organ Prelude Hazel Chisholm
7:10 Song and Praise Curtis Hester
7:15 Scripture Reading Robert C. Carlisle
Prayer James Riley
7:20 State Missions L. Gordon Sansing, presiding
Negro Work William P. Davis
Language Work Foy Rogers
7:50 Film: "Heartbreak"
8:20 Special Music William Carey College Choir
8:25 Message Chester L. Quarles
Closing Prayer Joel Haire, Jr.
Adjourn

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STATE TOTALS GIVEN—

SBC Schools Show Enrolment Increases

NASHVILLE (BP)—All types of educational institutions in the Southern Baptist Convention, except for Bible schools, show increases in net enrolment over last year.

This was reported here in the Southern Baptist Educator, published by the Education Commission of the SBC. Rabun L. Brantley is executive secretary of the agency and editor of the magazine.

Total net enrolment of seminaries, senior and junior colleges, academies and bible schools, as of Oct. 1, 1963, is 57,768, the Educator says.

At the Oct. 1 mark a year ago, it was 56,454.

The six seminaries operated directly by the SBC reported to the Educator their net enrolment this year is 4229, compared with 4169 on the reporting date 12 months ago.

Net enrolment, according to Brantley, generally means students taking 12 hours or more

of class work. It does not include non-credit, special, extension and correspondence students.

Midwestern Seminary, Kansas City, Mo., and Southeastern Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C., reported declines in net enrolment. Midwestern's fell from 221 to 169, while Southeastern's dropped from 595 to 575 over the year.

Three seminaries — Golden Gate Seminary, Mill Valley, Calif.; Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, and Southeastern Seminary — reported they have no non-credit, special, extension or correspondence students. Their entire enrolment is net enrolment, they reported to the educator.

300 at Midwestern
Midwestern showed 131 students not counted in net enrolment of 169. Total enrolment is 300. New Orleans Seminary's 705 net enrolment combines with 65 other than regular students for a total of 770 this year.

Southern Seminary adds 112 in the other than regular category to 817 students in net enrolment for a total of 929.

Golden Gate reported 275 net and total enrolment. Southwestern Seminary said it had 1688 students in net and total enrolment this year.

"Even with the closing of Carver School, whose enrolment has previously been counted in the seminary columns, there is a net enrolment increase," Brantley commented. "This is significant."

American Baptist Theological Seminary, Nashville, a seminary for Negroes jointly maintained by the SBC and Negro Baptists, reported a loss of five students over the 12 (Continued on page 2)

MC Names 'Alumni of The Year'

Two of Mississippi's most distinguished retired Baptist ministers were jointly honored Saturday by being named "Alumni of The Year" for 1963 at Mississippi College.

Dr. R. B. Gunter of Florence and Dr. Webb Brame of Yazoo City, both retired from the active ministry, received the award at the annual business meeting of the Alumni Association during Homecoming celebration at the college.

The presentation of the "Alumni of The Year" certificates were made by Dr. R. A. McLemore, president of the

college. He told of their contributions to both college, church, and community through the years. Their names will be added to the permanent bronze plaque located in the foyer of the B. C. Roberts Student Center.

Dr. Gunter and Dr. Brame, interested in the education of initiated an endowed ministerial scholarship fund at the college last year. The fund has increased greatly during the ensuing months and this semester each deserving ministerial student was provided with scholarship aid.

Gunter Prominent
Dr. Gunter has been a prominent figure among Mississippi Baptists for well over fifty years. He was ordained as a Baptist minister on November 23, 1908, in the Standing Pine Baptist Church in Leake County.

An outstanding leader, he served as secretary of the Baptist Education Commission for two years and under his leadership Baptists paid off the college indebtedness. After leaving the Education Commission he was made Executive (Continued on page 2)

Let's Fill The Coliseum For The Youth Night Service

White Addresses

Houston Ministers

HOUSTON (BP)—The president of the Southern Baptist Convention, K. Owen White, told a group of Negro and white ministers here that the cross of Christ would solve every problem that besets them.

White, pastor of the First Baptist Church which earlier has been picketed by Negroes for refusing to admit colored people as church members, did not directly refer to the racial situation in his message.

"We must keep the cross central in all our religion if we are to solve the many problems which confront us," said White.

About 150 Houston ministers attended the meeting at South Main Baptist Church. About 50 ministers were Negroes.

State Convention

(Continued from page 1) planning and religious education"; Wednesday afternoon, "through institutions"; Wednesday afternoon, "through institutions"; Wednesday evening, "through home and foreign missions"; Thursday morning, "through boards and agencies"; Thursday afternoon, "through mass media."

The principal business to come before the body is expected to be the consideration of the \$2,786,000 Cooperative Program budget. The outlay, the same as the current year's budget, will be recommended by the State Convention Board.

Assisting Dr. Bush in presiding over the sessions will be first vice-president, Rev. D. C. Applegate, of Starkville, and second vice-president, Rev. Clarence Cutrell, of Eupora. The recording secretary is Paul Adams of Laurel, with Horace Kerr of Jackson serving as assistant.

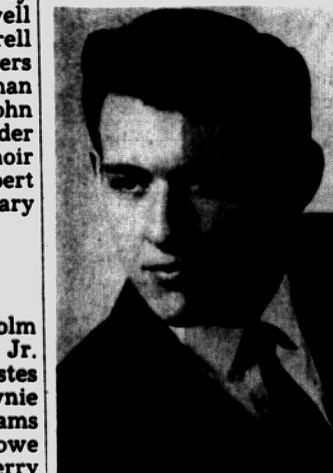
Committee Members
The other members of the order business committee are: Rev. John W. Green, Winona; Sam Peoples, Vicksburg; Dr. D. L. Hill, Corinth; Dr. Allen Webb, Jackson, and Rev. J. D. Aycock, Gulfport.

Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Jackson, is executive secretary-treasurer of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, the official agency of the convention. Special music is scheduled for every session. Music leader for the youth night session will be W. H. Souther, Jr., minister of music, Ocean Springs Baptist Church.

Monday will also be a busy day. The State Convention Board will hold its annual pre-convention meeting at the Baptist Building beginning at 2 p.m.

Also on Monday the annual State Brotherhood Rally will be held at the First Church with an afternoon and evening session. Dr. J. Leo Eddleman, president of the New Orleans Baptist Seminary, will be the featured evening speaker.

The annual state Brotherhood banquet will be held at the Masonic Temple at 5:30 o'clock.



W. R. Souther, Jr.

"Sing, Make A Joyful Noise"
Combined Choirs and Choral Groups
Congregational Singing
"Jesus Saves"
Combined Choirs and Choral Groups—Arrangement by DeCou

Prayer
Announcements and Recognitions
Feature—"Take A Giant Step"
16 mm Broadman Color Film
Congregational Singing
"Tis Marvelous and Wonderful"
Combined Choirs and Choral Groups
Message
Opportunity for Life Commitment
Benediction

Committee:
Bill Causey, Jackson, Chairman
John W. Green, Winona
Sam Peoples, Vicksburg
D. L. Hill, Corinth
Allen O. Webb, Jackson
J. D. Aycock, Gulfport



THE MISSISSIPPI COLISEUM in Jackson will be the meeting place for the annual youth night session of the State Convention which will be held on Thursday of next week. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 7 o'clock.

Baylor University

(Continued from page 1) either in its charter or by laws concerning race or color as a criteria for admission of students; therefore, "Be it resolved that neither race nor color be a factor to be considered in the admission of qualified students to Baylor University. The board of trustees hereby directs the president of the University to implement this policy by practical means designed to cause minimum disruption of the education program of the University."

Although names of those serving on the nine-member committee were not released, Baptist press learned that the president of the Southern Baptist Convention, K. Owen White of Houston, was a member of the committee.

Baylor president McCall said in a written statement that he anticipated "complete cooperation of the students and the faculty."

To Set Procedure
"University officials will devise a procedure to put the new policy into effect," said McCall. "I feel confident that this will be done with little or no disruption of the education program of the University."

Details for implementing the new policy were not announced. The board's statement implied, but did not state, that the policy would apply for all branches of the university.

More than 7,000 students are enrolled in the Baylor system, which includes the main campus in Waco, the college of medicine in Houston, and the College of Dentistry, School of Nursing, and Graduate Research Institute in Dallas.

Approval of desegregating the Baptist school has already been voiced by the Waco campus student body, the college of arts and sciences faculty, and the student congress, governing body for the students.

Students on the Waco campus voted last May overwhelmingly in favor of desegregation. During the same week the board of trustees authorized the committee study on integration, the faculty and the student congress pledged support and cooperation with future desegregation plans.

Baylor will be the fourth Texas Baptist school to drop its racial bars. Other Baptist schools in Texas which already have Negroes enrolled include Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, Wayland Baptist College, Plainview, and the University of Corpus Christi.

Colorful History

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Vaughn Moving Spirit
The moving spirit in effecting the organization of the convention was Ashley Vaughn, a young man from West Troy, New York, who came to the state in 1833. He came seeking a healthful climate for an aggravating physical condition and incidentally was an appointive missionary of the American Baptist Home Mission Society.

In 1836 he single-handedly launched the Southwestern Religious Luminary, through which he generated much enthusiasm for the organization

SBC Schools

(Continued on page 2) months. It has 49 students in net enrollment and reported another 633 others in the non-credit, extension and correspondence student classification. Senior colleges reported a net enrollment gain from 40,718 to 41,605 on Oct. 1 this year. Baylor University, Waco, Tex., continued to top all with 6458 net enrollment. Wake Forest College, Winston-Salem, N. C., followed again with net enrollment of 2941.

The senior colleges figured another 7174 students in other categories than net enrollment for a total enrollment of 48,779 students. Eleven of the 36 senior colleges showed drops in net enrollment over Oct. 1, 1962. Two new senior colleges opened this year—at Houston and at Mobile, and Campbell in North Carolina moved from junior to senior college.

Mississippi Schools
Figures released by the Educator revealed that Mississippi Baptists' four colleges had a net enrollment of 2,693 students and a total enrollment of 3,067.

The breakdown for each school follows:
Mississippi College—1,738 net; 64 other; total, 1,802. William Carey—642 net; 42 other; total, 685. Blue Mountain—263 net; 6 other; total, 269. Clarke—261 net; 50 other; total, 311.

Junior colleges reported net enrollment climbed from 8613 a year ago to 8963 at present. Largest of the 18 junior colleges is Mars Hill, located in the North Carolina community of the same name. (Mars Hill will be a senior college after next June.) It has 1288 net enrollment.

Wingate College, Wingate, N. C., is the only other passing 1000 with its 1078 net enrollment. Academies reported a net enrollment of 2407, up 37 over last year.

Largest in this group of seven schools is San Marcos Academy in Texas with 580 students, net enrollment.

Bible schools are led by Baptist Bible Institute, Graceville, Fla., which has a net enrollment of 184 students, an increase of four over 1962 fall registration. Southern Illinois College of the Bible, a chair of Bible program connected with Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, showed a drop in net enrollment of 15 students, to 26 currently registered.

The total enrollment of all types of Baptist educational institutions this year is 66,788.

The SBC operates the six seminaries and jointly operates the American Seminary at Nashville with the National Baptist Convention, U. S. A., Inc.

State Baptist conventions and general associations operate the other schools. The Education Commission aids all of them in placement service for teachers, by assembling information about higher education and by publishing the Educator and other materials, but it has no administrative control over any school.

of the convention.

The first Baptists arriving in the state settled near Natchez in 1780. They came from the Great Pee Dee Valley in South Carolina and brought their church letters with them.

Under the leadership of Rev. Richard Curtis, Jr., the first Baptist church in the state, Cole's Creek, later called Salem, was constituted in October, 1791. The site was about halfway between the present towns of Fayette and Washington.

Baptist life thus began to grow. In 1822 a state convention was organized but was dissolved in 1829 because of opposition. The present convention, however, organized in 1836, has grown consistently through the years and has now arrived at its 125th anniversary.

The convention, in its earlier years, while much smaller, held its annual sessions around over the state. For 20 consecutive years it has met in Jackson's historic First Baptist Church.

First Look

(Continued from page 1) the assembly of Catholic bishops from all over the world. There are approximately 2400 of them gathered in Rome. These are the only persons with voting privileges. The decisions of the council, after approval by the Pope, become the official positions of the Roman Catholic Church.

However, other groups influence the decisions of the council. Among these are study commissions that draw up the schemata (proposals) for consideration by the council. There are the "periti" (experts or advisers) who consult with the bishops and study commissions. These are the theologians, church historians and various other scholars who are specialists in their fields. Their function is advisory.

Among those present at the council are the "observers" from non-Catholic Christian groups. There are 60 or more of these. They are given most of the privileges of the bishops, except, of course, that of voting and debating. They have special seats in the council sessions. Although the discussions are in Latin, the observers are provided with simultaneous translations in their own language. The secret schema documents are available to the observers in their own language. They are consulted frequently by the council study commission and are sought out for advice by those who set the policies of the Council when matters affecting non-Catholics are under consideration the observers play a vital role in advising on attitudes and positions.

It is reported that observers are present from every world communion except some of the Orthodox groups, the Baptists, and a few fundamentalist groups.

"Guests" of Pope Present

A smaller group present at the council are "guests" of the Pope. These, for all intents and purposes, have the same privileges as observers. They do not represent nor are they responsible to any sponsoring body.

Not officially connected with the council, but playing a powerful role in getting its message to the world, and hence making the council acutely aware of its impact on the world is the press corps. All the major news channels of the world and many lesser ones have their reporters present.

At the first session of the council in 1962 information from the council was hard to get, couched in cautious language and often shrouded in secrecy. This year, however, the picture is different. The actual texts of the proposed schemata remain secret, but summaries of their contents are available, the debate is fully reported, and the actions and counter-actions within the council are open points of discussion.

The council has an official news service and press room. After each day's session there are full briefings of news men in various languages. The Divine Word News Service and the Dutch Documentary Council's reports are available to subscribers. Bishops, observers and advisers are freely available to the press for comment on the council's work.

One of the most significant news outlets is the U. S. Bishops' News Panel each day the council meets. News reports are distributed and a panel of bishops is present to answer any and all questions by news reporters.

Church. Convention leaders point to the fact that due to its size today Jackson is the only city large enough adequately to entertain the body.

The last time the convention met outside Jackson was in 1941 when it convened in Meridian. The convention has consistently met annually since it was organized except in 1862 and 1863 when no meetings were held due to the Civil War.



'ALUMNI OF THE YEAR' were honored by Mississippi College at the alumni dinner Saturday evening. From left: Dr. E. E. Whitfield, of Jackson, substituted for Dr. R. B. Gunter, of Florence, who was unable to attend because of illness; Dr. Webb Brame, of Yazoo City and Dr. R. A. McLemore, college president, who made the awards.

MC Names

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Secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, a post he held for 18 years. While in this position he led the denomination through some of their most trying times.

Following his graduation from Mississippi College, Dr. Gunter went on to Southern Baptist Theological Seminary where he received the master of theology degree. Mississippi College awarded him the honorary doctor of divinity degree in 1921.

Dr. Brame is a native of Kemper County and was a roommate of Dr. Gunter during their stay at Mississippi College. He, too, has taken an active part in Mississippi Baptist life.

After receiving his undergraduate degree from the Clinton college he went to Southern Baptist Theological Seminary where he was awarded the master of theology and doctor of theology degrees. He was given the honorary doctor of divinity degree by Mississippi College in 1930.

Served As Chaplain

He served as pastor of the First Baptist Church in Vicksburg for a number of years before going to New Albany. During World War I he served as a chaplain in the United States Army and is now an inactive lieutenant colonel in the National Guard.

Following the war Dr. Brame was called as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Drew and remained there until 1923. From there he accepted the pastorate of the First Baptist Church of Yazoo City and served that congregation until his retirement several years ago.

Dr. Brame served on the college Board of Trustees for 25 years and was a member of the committee that brought fellow classmate, the late Dr. D. M. Nelson, as president of the college. He resigned from the college board in order to take up membership on the State Convention Board, giving 31 continuous years of service to that board.

Active in the Rotary Club and Boy Scout work, Dr. Brame donated a beautiful 12-acre park to Yazoo City a couple of years ago, and at the request of the city fathers has helped with its development.

FBC, Bay St. Louis Announces Plans For Homecoming

First Church, Bay St. Louis, will observe Homecoming Day on Sunday, November 17.

Rev. Emory Green, pastor, has invited all former pastors and staff members to participate in the day of special activities. Former pastors are: W. S. Allen, Rev. John T. Dearing, Rev. Robert L. Lee, Rev. Schuyler Batson, Rev. William Beria, and Rev. Franklin Atkinson.

Following the morning worship service, an old-fashioned dinner on the grounds and a friendship period will be enjoyed.

Also Truett Broadus, minister of education, and Mrs. Toy Tedford, director of graded choirs, have planned a fellowship program to be held at 2 p.m.

Rev. Green states that all friends and former members are cordially invited to attend and to share in the homecoming activities.

Suggested Order

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WEDNESDAY MORNING

Our Mission

Through Planning—
8:50 Organ Prelude Hazel Chisholm
9:00 Song and Praise Gene Hubbard
9:05 Scripture Reading Marcus Smith
Prayer Harold O'Chester
9:10 Reading of Minutes Paul Adams
9:15 Miscellaneous Business and Report of Committees:
1. Resolutions
2. Nomination
3. Time, Place and Preacher
9:35 Report of Long Range Study Committee W. L. Meadows
Through Religious Education
10:25 Board of Ministerial Education Russell M. McIntire
10:35 Temperance C. M. Day
10:40 Church Music W. C. Morgan
10:45 Student Work Ralph B. Winders
10:50 Training Union Kermit S. King
10:55 Sunday School Bryant M. Cummings
11:00 Special Music Music Minister's Quartet
11:05 Message James Middleton
Closing Prayer Paul Shell
11:40 Adjourn
12:15 Seminary Luncheon

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

Our Mission

Through Institutions—
2:00 Organ Prelude Hazel Chisholm
2:10 Song and Praise Syd Doty
2:15 Scripture Reading W. T. Broadus
Prayer Joseph R. Nanney, Jr.
Social Service Institutions
2:20 Mississippi Baptist Hospital Paul J. Pryor
2:30 Baptist Memorial Hospital Frank S. Groner
2:40 Children's Village Paul N. Nunnery
Colleges and Schools
3:10 Education Commission D. B. Roark
3:15 Mississippi Baptist Seminary William P. Davis
3:20 Gilfoy School of Nursing Paul J. Pryor
3:25 Hymn
3:30 Mississippi College R. A. McLemore
3:40 William Carey College J. Ralph Noonkester
3:50 Blue Mountain College Wilfred C. Tyler
4:00 Clarke Memorial College W. Lowrey Compere
4:10 Recognition of Seminary Representatives
4:25 Special Music Baptist Children's Village Choir
4:30 Message C. Penrose St. Amant
Closing Prayer Wiley Peebles
5:00 Adjourn

WEDNESDAY EVENING

Through Home and Foreign Missions—

7:00 Organ Prelude Hazel Chisholm
7:05 Song and Praise John Laughlin
7:10 Scripture Reading L. C. Holcomb
Prayer Durell Makamson
7:15 Woman's Missionary Union Edwina Robinson
7:20 Young Woman's Auxiliary Marjean Patterson
7:25 Girls' Auxiliary
7:30 Sunbeams Waudine Storey
7:35 Brotherhood E. L. Howell
7:40 Royal Ambassadors Lee Ferrell
7:50 Associational Missions Foy Rogers
Juvenile Rehabilitation Lincoln Newman
Work Among Deaf Jerry St. John
8:00 Home Loyd Corder
8:15 Special Music Mississippi College Choir
8:20 Message Malcolm Talbert
Closing Prayer Jack Nazary
8:50 Adjourn

THURSDAY MORNING

Our Mission

Through Boards and Agencies
9:15 Organ Prelude Hazel Chisholm
9:30 Song and Praise H. G. Earwood, Jr.
9:35 Scripture Reading C. O. Estes
Prayer W. R. Haynie
9:40 Reading of Minutes Paul Adams
9:45 Sunday School Board J. M. Crowe
10:00 Convention Board Report Glenn Perry
Adoption of Budget
Miscellaneous Business
10:45 Special Music Robert Spencer
10:50 Message Ramsey Pollard
Closing Prayer J. C. Renfroe
11:30 Adjourn
College Luncheon

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Our Mission

Through Mass Media
2:00 Organ Prelude Hazel Chisholm
2:15 Song and Praise Howard Barnett
2:20 Scripture Reading W. P. Blair
Prayer James B. Parker
2:25 Baptist Record Joe T. Odle
2:35 Radio and Television John G. McCall
2:45 Special Music Blue Mountain College Choir
2:50 Message John Haggai
Prayer Jackie Hamilton
Adjourn

THURSDAY EVENING

7:00 YOUTH NIGHT IN MISSISSIPPI COLISEUM

Presiding Ralph B. Winders
Ushers Students, Mississippi College
Organ and Piano Meditation Miss Hazel Chisholm
William C. Day

Church Programing Set For Assemblies

NASHVILLE—In a tradition-shattering move, the Sunday School Board has scheduled church programing conferences at Ridgecrest (N. C.) and Glorieta, (N. M.) Baptist assemblies during the summer of 1964. Dates for the conferences are:



John D. Marshall
First Full-Time Education Minister At Griffith Mem.

John D. Marshall has accepted the call to serve as minister of education at Griffith Memorial Church, Jackson, and began work there on October 6. He is the first full-time minister of education to be employed by Griffith. Marshall, a native of Illinois, later made his home at St. Louis, Missouri. He is a graduate of Mississippi College and has just received the Master of Religious Education degree from Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas. Dr. Kermit Canterbury is pastor of Griffith Memorial Church.

Glorieta, June 25-July 1; Ridgecrest, July 14-22. "The conferences will cut across organizational lines in order to provide pastors and church staff members with specific help in coordinating the tasks of all the church educational organizations," commented Dr. W. L. Howse.

Dr. Howse, director of the education division, Baptist Sunday School Board, will be in charge of the conferences.

Another feature of the conferences will be a study of the 1964-65 Southern Baptist Convention emphasis on "The church fulfilling its mission through worship."

"This," said Dr. Howse, "will be especially helpful to associational superintendents of missions, state secretaries, and program leaders of the SBC."

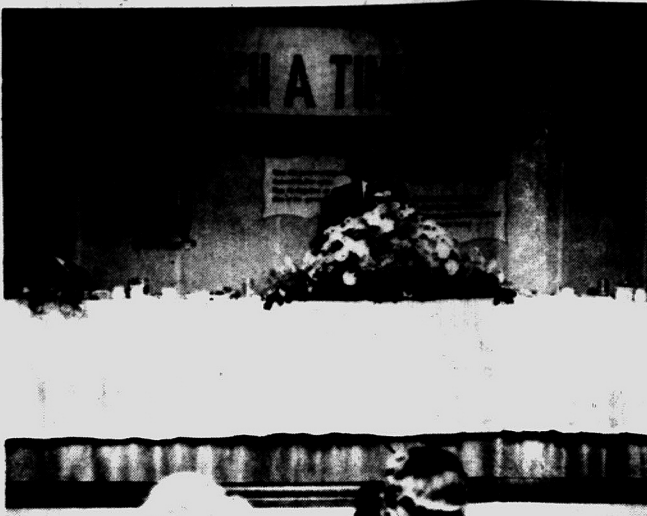
Two Each Morning Two general presentations on church programming will be offered each morning. These will be followed by periods of open discussion.

During the afternoons, workshops on church programming will be conducted. Among them will be a workshop on the implications of church programming for associational and state leadership.

The evening session will offer opportunity for worship and Bible study.

"At present these conferences are scheduled for 1964 only," Dr. Howse said. "It will be extremely valuable for as many members of a church staff to attend as possible."

Barely a tenth of the earth's surface is suitable for growing crops, yet the tillable areas supply food for three billion people, according to the report in the National Geographic Atlas of the World.



FIRST CHURCH, JACKSON, HOLDS ANNUAL LEADERSHIP BANQUET

ONE OF THE annual highlights in the program of activities at the First Church, Jackson, is the leadership banquet, held this year on Tuesday of last week. In photo at left Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, pastor, presides over event and is seen against a



colorful stage setting. At right a section of the huge crowd is seen. The closing inspirational speaker was Dr. Warren Hultgren, pastor of First Church, Tulsa, Okla.

Lay Witness Urged By Latin Americans

"Lay leadership is partly responsible for the explosive growth of churches and mission stations in Latin America," Dr. Frank K. Means, area secretary, told the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board in its annual meeting in October. "Members of Latin-American churches take seriously their God-given responsibility to witness to the lost in their own and surrounding communities."

Missionaries are sensing a need for greater emphasis upon lay leadership training for evangelistic outreach, he said, quoting Missionary Pat H. Carter, of Mexico, on two reasons for this: "The first is biblical. A re-emphasis on the centrality of the Bible has brought a fresh awareness of the place of the nonprofessional in the apostolic age. The second is practical. Our seminaries are not graduating enough preachers and missionaries to meet the growing needs of our churches."

The churches, too, are awak-

ening to "unexploited opportunities" in the realm of lay leadership training, Dr. Means said. Short-term and weekly institutes are being held in urban and rural areas. Encampments, retreats, and study courses are being utilized. Missionary activities—evangelistic visitation, teaching in neighborhood Sunday schools, tract distribution, working in missions—accompany this training.

To illustrate, Dr. Means told of "Operation Go," a project in the state of Ceara, Brazil. Lay volunteers from Baptist

churches in Fortaleza meet every Friday night for study. Then on Saturdays and Sundays they are flown by Rev. J. Daniel Luper, a missionary pilot, into interior cities, where they witness in public market places with the use of loud-speakers.

"Lay people must be relied upon to give a degree of spirit-

ual orientation and leadership, if the churches are to be nurtured at all, because there simply are not enough ministers to go around," Dr. Means said. "For 2,215 churches and 4,695 chapels related to Southern Baptist mission work in Latin America there are only 1,507 national pastors and 261 men missionaries."

GRAHAM VOICES CONCERN FOR SECULARIED EDUCATION

HOUSTON (BP)—Evangelist Billy Graham, speaking during a religious emphasis week program at Houston Baptist College, said he was "Deeply concerned that education is being overwhelmed by secularism."

The Baptist evangelist praised the new Baptist college here as "An island in a day when secularism is overwhelming education."

Speaking to nearly 6,000 persons, most of them teenagers, Graham urged the students to "Uphold the cross of Christ every day in every classroom."

Graham also spoke out against adultery prevalent among teenagers today. He said that the church needs a program of sex-education within the framework of moral law.

"Sex can be a flaming fire for good in life if used properly," Graham said, "But if you break the moral laws, there is no sin which will destroy you quicker."



THE FIRST CHURCH at Yazoo City, Rev. James Yates, pastor, sponsored a laymen's retreat which was held Oct. 25-27 at Camp Garaywa. Dr. Russell Bush, Columbia, president of the State Convention, and program personality, discusses laymen's work with three others. From left: Dr. Bush; Robert Lynn, Pascagoula; Wiley George, Houston, Tex., speaker, and Porta Messa, Collins.

Yazoo Church Sponsors Retreat



SEVERAL MEN ENJOY luncheon fellowship. From left, facing camera, clock-wise, Rev. R. T. Blackstock, associate pastor, First Church, Jackson; Owen Cooper, Yazoo City layman; Claude Townsend and Wallace "Buddy" Cooper, Jackson laymen. Other out-of-state retreat speakers included Dr. Porter Routh, Nashville, executive secretary, SBC Executive Committee and Rev. Jack Stanton, associate in Division of Evangelism, Home Mission Board, Dallas. Laymen from several surrounding counties attended.



THE "RIVER JORDAN FOUR" sing at one of the sessions. From left: Rev. Joe Mefford, missionary to Spain, speaker; Charles Higgins, minister of music, First Church, Yazoo City; Charles Jackson and Dr. D. B. Roark, both host church laymen.

Scotch Baptists Vote Against WCC Affiliation

GLASGOW, Scotland (RNS)—Delegates to the annual assembly of the Baptist Union of Scotland here decided to continue the denomination's "disaffiliation" with the World Council of Churches.

By a vote of 316 to 59, the assembly approved the recommendation of a study committee to remain out of the WCC. The Scottish Baptists broke away from the world organization in 1955.

One attempt to bring the denomination back to the WCC preceded the vote. Delegates turned down a motion by the Rev. A. W. Speirs of Edinburgh who argued that ecumenical conversations could not be carried on "at the national level" while the denomination refuses "to do so at the international level."

The committee recommendation declared that "the unity which Christ purposes for his people is neither external nor organizational—but spiritual, and this unity the Christian community already has in Christ."

Supporting the recommendation, the Rev. Andrew W. Inglis of Dundee, newly-elected vice-president of the Union, said the WCC is "no longer wholly Protestant, and those within its ranks admit this is so."

Arthur Rutledge To Teach Missions

LOUISVILLE (BP)—Arthur B. Rutledge, division of missions director for the Home Mission Board, Atlanta, has been appointed visiting professor of missions for the second semester of the 1963-64 academic year at Southern Seminary here.

As a visiting professor, Rutledge will teach missions with an emphasis on the Home Mission Board's work in North America. He will continue his work with the SBC agency by commuting from Atlanta on weekends and teaching weekday classes on the seminary campus.

"The visiting professorship is part of the seminary's program of having distinguished missionary personnel teach classes and be a part of the faculty each year," President Duke K. McCall announced.

The 52-year-old Rutledge has a master of theology degree from Southern Seminary and a Doctor of Theology degree from Southwestern Seminary in Fort Worth.

Before joining the home mission board staff in 1959, he was secretary of stewardship and direct missions for the Baptist General Convention of Texas for two years.

At the home mission board, Rutledge supervises city missions, associational missions, pioneer missions, work with National Baptists, and the ministry to language groups within the United States.

Theologian Urges Use Of 'Teaching' Type Sermons

FORT WORTH (BP)—A noted theologian from Germany, Helmut Thielicke of Hamburg, told Southwestern Seminary students here there is a great need in a secularized society for a new type of sermon he called a "teaching sermon."

Thielicke, speaking at chapel services and at a meeting of the seminary's theological fellowship, demonstrated the "teaching sermon" to the students during his message.

Thielicke said when using the new approach, he always assumed that the audience knows nothing or very little about the gospel. He said he used the opportunity for teaching as well as preaching.

Thielicke is dean of theology at the University of Hamburg and is preacher at St. Michaels Lutheran Church there.

He told the students that preaching is the most intellectual work he does. He listed six steps to sermon preparation—exegesis the text, think and re-think the text, bring theological consideration to the text, search for illustrations, build a card file, and then find words so that the theoretical background will not be recognized.

THANKSGIVING LOVE OFFERING

FOR THE

Baptist Children's Village

TRAIN SCHEDULES

GULF, MOBILE AND OHIO RAILROAD—Load at all points on Friday, November 15, 1963, East Side which covers all points from Corinth to State Line. Also West side from Brownfield South to Evanston, including McLain, Lucedale, and all intermediate points to Laurel. All points between Union and Sandy Hook North and South to Jackson, Mississippi. All shipments from Calhoun City will have to be carried to Houston where they will be loaded for Jackson, Mississippi.

COLUMBUS AND GREENVILLE—Load from all points on the C & G Railway to either Winona or Mathiston, Mississippi. Shipments will then be delivered by Illinois Central Railroad to Jackson, Mississippi.

MISSISSIPPI CENTRAL—Load Hattiesburg to Brookhaven, also Natchez to Brookhaven. Shipments will be picked up and delivered to Jackson, Mississippi, by Illinois Central Railroad.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL SYSTEM—Free billing instructions have been issued to all Illinois Central Agents in Mississippi authorizing movement of goods to Jackson, Mississippi for the period November 15 to December 31, 1963. (Per ICRR Billing Order No. 50650.)

A MESSAGE FROM THE CHILDREN

Dear Baptist Friend:

We hope you will notice that our friends, the railroads, are again this year providing free shipping transportation for your gifts of goods to us during the period of November 15 to December 31. We hope that you will check with your local station agent and make any necessary arrangements to have your gifts and those of your fellow church members sent along to us during this holiday period. We are so grateful for the food, clothing, linens and supplies which you give us each year, because without these necessities, the money you send would all have to be used to feed and clothe us, instead of being used to provide a program at our community of homes which is so interesting and helpful to us.

Will you also remember us with a cash love offering in your church on Thanksgiving Day, on Sunday, November 24, Sunday, December 1, or any other day which your pastor suggests. We believe you will.

Thank You

189 Boys And Girls
At
The Children's Village

Shannon Pastor To Celebrate 6th Anniversary

First Church, Shannon, will observe the sixth anniversary of their pastor, Rev. Jack E. Maroon, Sunday, November 10th with a Harvest Day. Goals for the day will be 200 in Sunday School, 100 in Training Union, and an offering of \$1,750. The latter will be used for payment of recently installed central heating and air-conditioning.

During Rev. Maroon's ministry, there have been 130 additions to the church, with \$5 for baptism. Contributions have totaled over \$87,000 of which more than \$13,000 as been given to missions. Resident membership has almost doubled.

A new educational building housing the nursery through young people has been built and completely paid for. The entire church has been centrally heated and air-conditioned. A new Baldwin Organ has been installed, and Baptist Hymnals have been purchased.

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Problems Facing The Convention

Next week Baptists of Mississippi gather in Jackson for their annual convention. From all over the state pastors and church leaders will come to hear reports, to discuss programs, to adopt plans and to launch the work of the new convention year.

This coming year should be one of the greatest in Baptist history, not only in Mississippi but across America and around the world. It is Baptist Jubilee Year when Baptists of America will look back upon the years of rich blessing God has given the denomination in this land, and will look forward to the doors of opportunity which lie before them. However, if it is to be a great year, it will be that only because Baptists make it that. Achievement will not come by wishing, but because of great planning and tremendous effort.

The convention next week is not expected to be faced with any controversial or disruptive issues. It is coming together at a time of unity and harmony in the ranks throughout the state.

Problems

Nevertheless, one has only to study the records, to see that some problems face Mississippi Baptists, and it may be well for them to be faced squarely during the coming sessions. The program does not reveal that any of these will be issues for convention consideration as such, yet they lie in the background, and must not and cannot be forgotten.

What are these matters which so urgently press upon us? We could name several. One is the evangelism record. While no statistical summaries are yet available, it seems evident from scattered reports that the number of baptisms probably will be lower than was reported last year. This is a situation which must be changed. Perhaps the special emphasis on evangelism which is to be given in Jubilee year, will lead us to do something about this. However, as long as churches are satisfied merely to baptize the children who grow up and are reached in the Sunday school, and do not make a concerted, all-out effort to reach the multitudes about them, there probably will be little change.

A second problem is the percentage of our total offerings which is channeled to missions. Mission giving continues to remain at approximately the same percentage level where it has been for several years. With world conditions being what they are, and with mission needs greater than ever, there should be a great surge of increased concern and support for the whole mission program. This needs to be given earnest consideration now.

A Serious Problem

A third, and perhaps the greatest problem facing the convention right now, is the matter of support of world missions through the Cooperative Program. The record of the year just closed reveals the seriousness of this problem. The question is this: are we going to continue to use the Cooperative Program as our basic missionary program, or are we going to more and more turn to designated missionary giving?

Sometime ago, W. R. Roberts, Annuity Board representative in our state, wrote an article "Handwriting On The Wall", in which he called attention to the fact that there appeared to be a trend toward larger designations at the expense of Cooperative Program support. This article was first published in the Baptist Record and since then has appeared in other Southern Baptist publications.

Now that the Mississippi Baptist giving record for 1963 is complete, the trend in this state clearly is evident. Here is the percentage record, for the past three years, of mission funds received from the churches by the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board treasurer:

Year	% to Cooperative Program	% Designated
1960-61	68.4	31.6
1961-62	67.8	32.2
1962-63	66	34

While these percentage changes do not appear to be large, they are significant in the amounts of money involved. The figures for the current year reveal that while the designated receipts increased \$77,871 over the preceding year, the Cooperative Program receipts decreased by \$51,059.

During the past two years designated gifts have actually increased by 20% while Cooperative Program receipts have increased less than 8%, and all of this increase came during 1961-62 year, since there was a decrease in the year just closed.

Certainly no one would deny to churches the right to designate their offerings, for that right must always remain. At the same time, should the present trend continue, it seems inevitable that the Cooperative Program will eventually be destroyed.

It may be argued that Baptists have plenty of money to give full support to the Cooperative Program, and at the same time greatly increase designated gifts. Certainly this is true, but the fact is that Baptists are not giving all that they are able to give. If they were doing that there would be no financial problems at all. Of that which Baptists are now giving, only about 17% is going to mission causes. When large portions of these mission gifts go to designated objects, they simply do not go through the Cooperative Program. The problem is as simple as that.

A Time for Decision

Mississippi Baptists have come to the time when they must decide whether they are going to give major emphasis to the Cooperative Program or to designations. This convention session needs to face up to this situation and begin to do something about it. It cannot tell the churches what to do, but it can give guidance to the promotion emphasis. If it fails to do something, the present trend may continue, and it will become increasingly difficult to reach the Cooperative Program budgets. In that case, the agencies and institutions which depend upon the Cooperative Program for support, will be forced to go directly to the churches and people for their support. The final result can only be the collapse of the Cooperative Program, and a return to the situation which existed years ago, before the program was born. In that day all giving was designation, and the field representative who reached the church first, usually got the largest offering for his agency. We do not believe that Mississippi Baptists want to return to that.

The Cooperative Program is not perfect, but it has proved itself over and over as the best and most equitable plan which Southern Baptists have yet found for the support of their agencies, and all of the other work the Lord has laid upon their hearts to do. It would be a tragedy for such a program to be weakened or destroyed.

This convention needs to face up to this situation, take steps which will change the present trend, and urge churches again to do their increased missionary giving through the basic budget program.

A Very Wise Suggestion

One of our regular readers has called to our attention something which is on her heart, and something which she feels can be remedied, if people simply stop to think,



THE WILDERNESS OF JUDAEA—This dry and thirsty desert land in western Palestine is the traditional wilderness of Judaea, where Christ was tempted three times by the devil and where He fasted for 40 days and 40 nights. "Then was Jesus led up of the spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil. And when He had fasted 40 days and 40 nights, He was afterward an hungred." Matt. 4:1-2. (RNS photo)

New Books

Price Correction

In last week's issue of the Baptist Record in a review of the book **ALIEN BAPTISM AND THE BAPTISTS** by W. M. Nevins, we incorrectly stated that the price was \$1.50. This should have been \$2.00 as was correctly shown in the advertisement of the book printed elsewhere in the same paper.

CAN I TRUST MY BIBLE? by Eight Evangelical Scholars (Moody, 190 pp., \$3.50):

We live in an hour when many question marks are raised concerning the Bible. Is the Bible really inspired? Can we believe in miracles? Does science really contradict the Bible? Is the Bible truly reliable? Is it historically accurate? In these messages eight of the greatest Christian scholars of the present hour give

answers to the above questions. The answers are clear, logical, reasonable, sound and satisfying. These men believe that the Bible is the inspired Word of God and worthy of belief and trust. The book will be helpful to young people facing problems of doubt, and to teachers and others dealing with the doubts of the day and the attacks on the Bible and Christianity.

SIMPLE SERMONS FROM THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW by W. Herschel Ford (Zondervan, 240 pp., \$3.95):

A new addition to the now famous "Simple Sermon" series by this prolific preacher and writer who was for so many years pastor of First Baptist Church, El Paso. Here are 31 sermons on the 28 chapters of Matthew, a message for each chapter, except that there are

six sermons on the Sermon on the Mount. The messages are expository and cover the thought of each chapter, although not verse by verse. Every message subject deals in some manner with Jesus Christ as the King. The outlining is by alliteration and there are numerous illustrations. Should be helpful to preachers and other Bible students.

PAPA WORE NO HALO by Susan Herring Jefferies (Blair, 457 pp., \$4.95):

The author tells of David Wells Herring, Southern Baptist missionary, who had his own convictions about dressing like the Chinese and about living simply among them. David had a slight disagreement with the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board over principles and resigned to work with the Gospel Mission. Later events brought about reconciliation with the Board. His daughter Susan, author of this book, was born near Tai Shan and returned "home" when she was seventeen. His son, Ralph, is present director of the Seminary Extension Department, Nashville, and a former resident of Jackson. Susan gives a very good description of the ups and downs of a foreign missionary—in this case, forty years of turbulent coping with "boxers, cows, kites, bandits, scorpions, motorcycles, wheelbarrows, thieves, and civil wars."

UNDERSTANDING NURSERY CHILDREN by Thelma Arnote (Convention Press, 106 pp., .75):

A new addition to the Southern Baptist Church Study Course. Discusses the child himself, the church's ministry to him and the ministry to his home. Many practical illustrations are used, making this a most helpful book in training for this area of service.

THE LAYMAN'S ROLE TODAY by Frederick K. Wents (Doubleday, 229 pp., \$4.95):

A challenge to churches to use their "manpower." Presents the Need for a New Layman, His Way of Life, His Ministry and His Resources. Presents the layman as the connecting link between the churches and modern civilization.

or if they understand some facts.

She talked to us about the great blessings that come to the churches and associations through the use of missionaries as speakers in their services. Sometimes these are missionaries on furlough. At other times they are retired missionaries who have served the denomination and have now come to retirement time. In other cases they may be state or home missionaries who are still active.

They are invited into the churches to speak at the regular services, in WMU and Brotherhood meetings, to classes, circles, departments, at dinners and other types of meetings. They are always happy to come when they can do so, and they bless the hearers each time they appear.

The matter which disturbs our reader is that sometimes these workers are not given even their expenses for coming to fill such an engagement. It does cost something to drive a car, or to buy a ticket for bus, train or plane travel.

Perhaps the groups who use these faithful servants of the denomination do not know that missionaries on furlough, or retired missionaries, and, often, other workers, do not have expense accounts. In other words, the Foreign Mission Board does not pay the expense incurred by a worker in filling an engagement as a speaker. The costs of such trips must come out of the salary of the missionary, if the church or other organization fails to provide. Salaries paid by our mission boards are very modest when considered in the light of today's living costs, and there is little available for such travel.

Now we are sure that these workers would never complain about the matter but we do not believe that our churches and people want them to have to bear the expense in such situations. Why should not churches and groups inviting such speakers, make it a practice to pay all of their expenses? Adding an honorarium as an expression of love and appreciation for their service, certainly would not hurt. Many churches and groups make it a practice to do the very thing which our reader has suggested, and we think that many more will want to do so when they have given serious thought to it. Such practices would cost the churches very little, but they would make a big difference in the personal budgets of these beloved friends who serve the Lord and the denomination so unselfishly.

This was the general idea of the concern of our reader. We agree with her wholeheartedly!

Using Religion As Entertainment

It seems to have become the popular thing in the entertainment world to use hymns or other religious references as part of the program. Perhaps there is nothing wrong with this when they are used, as some radio or television personalities use them, simply as a religious part of the program. In those cases proper reverence and respect is shown.

Quite different, however, is the situation when the music or religious reference is used as mere entertainment or as an act.

An example of this has been the use of the spiritual, "When the Saints Go Marching In" as a dance tune. Many of us have resented such use of sacred music, even though the tune be as lively as are some spirituals.

A worse example occurred last week in a popular entertainer's one hour television show, when three well-known guest stars presented an "act" (they themselves called it that) in which they sang religious choruses and used the name of God irreverently, speaking of Him as their "agent", who would work for a mere "10%" while other agents wanted more. The song "I Have the Joy, Joy, Joy, Down in my Heart" is only a chorus, but it has no place in a night club type act, with twisting bodies and a jazz setting. Neither is there ever a place for light or frivolous reference to God.

Modern entertainers will do well to leave all reference to God out of their programs, if its use is simply for the purpose of entertainment. If references to God or the use of spiritual things cannot be done with reverence and respect, they should be omitted entirely.



MAILBAG HEAVY FOR BOARD'S ARCHITECTURE DEPARTMENT

NASHVILLE — An average of 36 requests a day for architectural assistance!

That's what the mailbag brought to the Baptist Sunday School Board's Church Architecture Department from churches throughout the Southern Baptist Convention from October 1962 through September 1963. A total of 9,184 requests was received.

Conferences and workshops for those interested in church buildings were conducted in 27 states by department personnel under the direction of Dr. W. A. Harrell, department secretary. The staff members participated in 30 other state and convention-wide meetings.

With the state Baptist church building consultants, they visited individual churches for conferences relating to building conducted for architects. Department personnel visited in a total of 41 states.

During the year, 475 committees and architects visited the church architecture department in Nashville for conferences.

The department received requests from 183 churches in 27

foreign countries. Several foreign missionaries visited the department for conferences and building plans.

The church architecture department seeks to provide information and make recommendations to churches and denominational organizations and agencies as they request. Counsel is offered concerning the planning, constructing, and financing of buildings and development of property and grounds.

Forum

Likes The Record

Dear Dr. Odle:

Here is my renewal for another year of good reading always available in the paper you edit, The Baptist Record of Mississippi. It has been a real joy to have served the 15th Avenue Baptist Church for a little over two months, and now a short time at the Poplar Springs Drive Baptist Church, both churches here in Meridian. Dr. Bob Simmons who came to the Fifteenth Avenue Church is being received with high esteem. We hope to have a pastor here within a short time. It is a joyous privilege to be able to serve various churches and meet so many wonderful Baptists. And from my experience over several states I can say Mississippi Baptist churches are at the top in following the best methods in all phases of educational, denominational and mission work; state, national and world-wide in scope.

Let me say the Baptist Record is rendering a most valuable service to all the churches in Mississippi. I have never read a series of articles, pictures, and informative appeals; with an all-encompassing editorial from your versatile pen, which gave quite so much helpful information as did the last issue of the Record—dated 26 September. I shall utilize much of this information in my sermon soon on The Cooperative Program.

In closing, let me say it has been a refreshing experience to come to know the Meridian Baptists and noble pastors, plus Bro. Joe Ratcliff, our able Supt. of Missions, as I came to know the Hattiesburg Baptists back in 1960. I shall tell the Baptists of Ardmore, Oklahoma, where my home is located, of the noble Baptists of this section and of this Grand Old State.

Karl H. Moore
Interim Pastor
Poplar Springs Drive
Church—Meridian, Miss.

Calendar Of Prayer

November 11 — John McBride, Bolivar associational superintendent of missions; Hubert Freeman, Perry associational Brotherhood president.

November 12 — Mrs. Roy Raddin, WMU president, District VIII; Bob Phillips, Tate associational Training Union Director.

November 13 — J. B. Miller, Baptist Student Director, Holmes Junior College; Mrs. Kathleen Arrington, faculty, Carey College.

November 14 — E. L. Douglas, faculty, Mississippi College; Patricia Ann Godfrey, Baptist Book Store.

November 15 — G. G. Pierce, Baptist Building; Mrs. Daphne Pridgen, Baptist Building.

November 16 — Carolyn Mounce staff, Blue Mountain College; Mrs. A. L. Hataway, staff, Baptist Children's Village.

November 17 — J. B. Costlow, faculty, Clarke College; Mrs. Marguerite Vance, faculty, Gilfoy School of Nursing.

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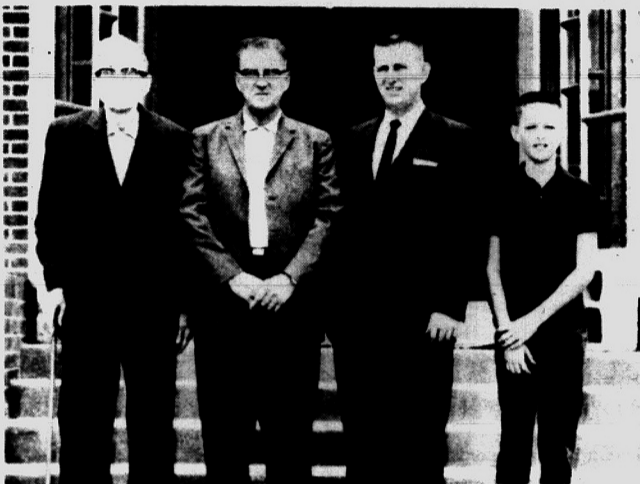
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AT THE NORTHEAST MISSISSIPPI JUNIOR COLLEGE BSU General Council meeting, at Booneville on October 22, Rev. Ralph B. Winders, state Student Director, showed colored slides of the 1963 Baptist World Youth Congress in Beirut, Lebanon, and of a study tour of Europe, the Near East, and North Africa. Over 100 BSU'ers were in attendance for the program. Left to right above are: C. Wayne Neal, Northeast Junior College BSU Director; Huel Moseley, music and educational director, Tate Street, Corinth; former BSU student summer missionary from Mississippi State University to Hong Kong; Johnny Bell, BSU President, from New Albany; Janice Wington of Ripley, BSU Program Chairman; and Rev. Ralph B. Winders, state Student Director, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, Jackson (speaker).



FOUR GENERATIONS were present for Sunday school on Promotion Day at Paul Truitt Memorial Church, 3705 Old Brandon Road, Jackson, in Rankin County. Left to right, above, are the four: J. C. Dukes, his son, O. B. Dukes; grandson, Joe Dukes; and great-grandson, Joey Dukes. Joe Dukes is chairman of deacons this year at Paul Truitt Church; Rev. J. L. Reeves is pastor. Joe and Joey Dukes were two of the church's twelve who had perfect attendance in Sunday school last year.

Names In The News

Mrs. Roland Q. Leavell, formerly of Jackson, was WMU guest speaker at First Baptist Church, Shreveport, Louisiana, on October 28. Mrs. Leavell taught the mission study book, "The Mandelbaum Gate," new mission book by Dr. Leo Eddleman. She is now on the staff of New Orleans Seminary, where her late husband was president.

James Robert (Jim) Futral, Starkville, was recently elected president of the Freshman Class at Clarke College. Futral is the son of Rev. and Mrs. Guy C. Futral of Starkville, pastor and wife at Meadowview Church of

that city. Jim is studying for the ministry.

Denzil Ray Byrd, Hartselle, Alabama, was elected president of the Sophomore Class at Clarke College, Newton, Miss., in the recent campus campaign. Denzil is the son of Mrs. Selma Byrd of Hartselle. After completion of his formal training, Byrd plans to enter the field of religious music.

Rev. H. Fred Williams, former Mississippi pastor, recently led his congregation at First Baptist Church, Winter Garden, Florida, in the observance of their Seventy-fifth Anniversary. In connection with the occasion a very attractive 64-page book was published. It has a beautiful cover with full color photograph of the church building. Inside is found the full story of the history of the church with many photographs. The book presents not only the history of the church through the past three quarters of a century, but also shows the outstanding work that is being done today. Bro. Williams has been pastor of the church since 1957.



Dr. Harold Tinsley Dill, Professor of Youth Religious Education, at Southwestern Seminary, will speak at the Southwestern Seminary luncheon to be held at Parkway Church, Jackson, November 13 at 12:30 p.m. All former students are invited to attend.

"Teen-Age Slant"

Copies of **THE TEEN-AGE SLANT** by Dr. Chester Swor, autographed by Dr. Swor and Jerry Merriman, will be available in the Baptist Book Store, Jackson, and in the Convention book exhibit at First Church, Jackson, during the Mississippi Baptist Convention November 12-14. Advance orders will be held in readiness, according to Mrs. O. M. Jones, Book Store manager.

Youth groups arriving early for the Thursday night Youth Rally may go by the Baptist Book Store for copies before 5 p.m. The book is now in its second printing and is becoming a best seller. The price is 95 cents.

We must reassert to our generation the old Baptist insistence on the radical claims of God upon each man; no easy way exists for responding to the call to follow Christ, bearing one's own cross, and we cannot make it so.—Dr. William C. Smith, Jr., BAPTIST STUDENT.

CHRISTIANITY TODAY— Magazine Attacks Use Of Cigarettes

WASHINGTON — Habitual use of cigarettes is incompatible with Biblical principle, the magazine Christianity Today declared today.

Because of mounting medical evidence linking it with lung cancer, the cigarette habit "has moved from an optional indulgence to a question of the stewardship of the body," the interdenominational Protestant journal asserted in an editorial in the current (November 8) issue.

Christianity Today urged more concern for the current epidemic of lung cancer.

"When areas stricken by natural disaster need aid or when our imagination is captured by the plight of miners trapped underground, we are capable of showing 'reverence for life,'" the magazine said. "Yet at the same time we continue strangely apathetic to much needless suffering and loss of life right on our doorstep."

The editorial attributed to the cigarette industry "a determined refusal to face facts and a promotional cynicism that, while economically understandable, are indefensible."

Different Position

"But the Christian community is in a different position," Christianity Today stated. "It can no more look at the cigarette - lung cancer problem from a morally neutral point of view than it can be oblivious of the moral implications of the daily slaughter on the highways and the human wreckage through alcoholism."

The editorial added:

"On the Scriptural ground that the God who gives us our bodies requires accountability for their use, none of us has the right to contract any habit that has been shown to lead to grave illness and premature

death."

Christianity Today observed that "abundant evidence has accumulated to implicate cigarette smoke in lung cancer as well as in coronary heart disease and emphysema. Apart from quibbles whether it is the cause of lung cancer, statistically and experimentally it is unmistakably related to the current epidemic of that disease."

The editorial concluded: "For both youth and adults the habitual use of cigarettes is incompatible with the Biblical principle of the stewardship of the body. For Christian adults in particular it contributes by force of example to teen-age addiction to a dangerous and often fatal habit and thus violates the biblical principle of responsibility for one's brother. No longer may it be considered a harmless, optional practice to be taken up merely for personal gratification."



Rev. Robert W. Martin

First, Ripley Calls Pastor

Rev. Robert W. Martin has accepted the pastorate of First Church, Ripley; he preached his first sermon as pastor of the Ripley church on Sunday, October 20.

Rev. Martin is a native Mississippian, and is a graduate of Mississippi College, and has a Th. M. degree from the Southern Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky.

He has served on the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board and the Executive Committee and also served as Recording Secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board for about six years.

He has served pastorates in Mississippi, including 10 years at First Church, Batesville, and several years at Crestwood Church, Jackson.

He has served as pastor of the North Hill Church, Pensacola, Florida, since February 1, 1959.

There are three children; two sons, Charles and Bill, and a daughter, Loretta.

One of the most frequent errors in human relations is for one person to expect too much of another, to be critical of him. I am especially likely to be overcritical if I am continually dissatisfied with myself.—Dr. John W. Hoskins, BAPTIST STUDENT.



A SERIES of five Leadership Conferences, representing six phases of Baptist work, was held over the state last week. Accompanying pictures were taken at the conference held at Brookhaven, First Church and are representative of the entire group. Photo above shows part of group at supper time.

Series Leadership Conferences Held Last Week

Pastor Urges Baptist-Catholic Understanding

RALEIGH, N. C. (RNS)—A Baptist minister here has called on members of the Southern Baptist Convention to work for increased understanding between the denomination and the Roman Catholic Church.

The Rev. W. W. Finlator, pastor of Pullen Memorial church, said "Ecumenical Council changes in the Roman Catholic Church have taken place with such breathtaking speed that Protestants who have not been in the know are likely to find themselves reacting to a Church that no longer exists."

In a letter sent to editors of all major Southern Baptist publications, he said:

"The non-Roman Christian who continues to respond to Catholicism as he regarded it yesterday, is no longer responding to reality. That communion which has no part in the inter-renewal and revival is actually painting itself into a sectarian and spiritual corner."

"As a Baptist writing to fellow Baptists, I say that of all people we need to be introduced to the Roman Catholic Church today—I almost said re-introduced, for really we have never met one another for the first time."

"We have been afraid and suspicious of one another, have shouted recriminations across the void, have accused and arraigned each other, but never met one another. Now that the renewal of the Roman Church is taking her to those fundamental principles which we claim to be the rock of our own faith, dare we persist in a sort of spiritual ghetto of our own making?"

"To join our brethren in Christ of the Roman communion is not to go their way but really to go our own, to be true to our own basic principles, and, in finding our true soil, we shall find our brother in Christ. Is not this the meaning of the ecumenical movement?" Mr. Finlator asked.



DR. BOB N. RAMSAY, host pastor, shows harvest display to two visitors. From left: Rev. O. B. Beverly, pastor Woodville Church; Rev. L. Gordon Sansing, associate executive secretary, who presided, and Dr. Ramsay.



DR. EUAL LAWSON, associate in Division of Evangelism of the Home Mission Board, Dallas, speaker, (center) discusses Biblical emphasis on that subject with two superintendents of missions. Rev. Luther Dorr of Brookhaven, (left) and Rev. George Lee, who has just moved to Columbia from Fayette.



MANY CONFERENCES were held. These four are discussing several phases of work. From left: Miss Evelyn George, associate in Training Union Department; Miss Katherine Bryan, of the GA Department, WMU, Birmingham; Mrs. Joy Caston, Tangipahoa Church, Pike; and Mrs. Ray Hughes, Mt. Vernon Church, Mississippi Association.

New Sacred Records

THE WAY OF GLADNESS—Joe Ann Shelton and Virginia Seelig (Radio and Television Commission, SBC)

Joe Ann Shelton has become known across the world as the director of music for the Radio-Television Commission, and as soloist with the Baptist Hour Choir. Virginia Seelig is known all across the Southwest as an outstanding contralto soloist, and also as a member of the Baptist Hour Choir. Here in duets and solos the two join to present an outstanding recording. Among the solos are: Then Jesus Came (Shelton); Why (Shelton); Blessed Redeemer (Seelig); Wonderful Saviour (Seelig); and others. Duets include: My Lord Is Near Me All the Time, Saved By Grace, Be Still and Know and others.

TO GOD BE THE GLORY—Don Husted and Tedd Smith (Word W-3184-LP)

The Organist and Pianist of the Billy Graham Team provide a highly pleasing instrumental record combining their talents. Here are organ solos, piano solos and duet numbers, all in the brilliance, depth and power, which only devoted Christian artists like these can render. Among the numbers is the beloved To God Be the Glory. Other outstanding ones are: God of Our Fathers, O Love That Will Not Let Me Go, Beyond the Sunset and others.

THE EARTH IS THE LORD'S—George Beverly Shea (RCA Victor—LPM or LSM—2753)

The world's best known and best loved gospel singer is Bev Shea. He is equally at home in the street service, the gospel tabernacle, before a television camera or in the concert hall. In this album he includes some old songs and some not quite so familiar, yet each number steals into the heart of the listener. Included are: Sweet Hour of Prayer, The Earth Is the Lord's, Let the Lower Lights Be Burning, Faith of Our Fathers, When Children Pray, Under His Wings and others.

WE GATHER TOGETHER—Ernie Ford and the San Quentin Prison Choir (Capitol T 1937)

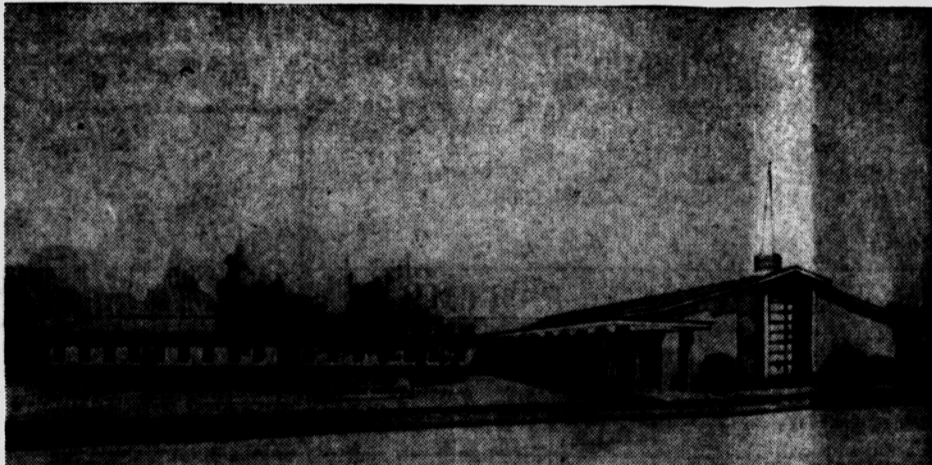
Tennessee Ernie Ford has often sung in prison, but this time the recording was made there. Here the rich baritone voice of Ernie Ford blends with a well trained and capable choir made up of men behind prison bars. The result is a splendid, well balanced recording of great gospel music. Such songs as: Lead On O King Eternal; Are Ye Able, Said the Master; Somebody Did A Golden Deed; Higher Ground; Come Thou Fount; and We Gather Together with touch the heart of the listener.

SYMPHONY IN BRASS—The Salvation Army Band and Staff (Word-3252-LP)

A concert by the New York Staff Band and Male Chorus. The band and chorus has appeared on network programs, at the Tournament of Roses, in Billy Graham Crusades, etc. Here they present a mixture of band and choral numbers especially arranged for their use, along with some solo numbers. Included are: Onward Christian Soldiers, Just As I Am, Bound For Canaan's Shore, When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder, To God Be The Glory and others.

SONGS I SANG IN SUNDAY SCHOOL—Burl Ives (Word W-3229-LP)

Burl Ives, world famous folk singer, says of the songs of his childhood "The songs I sang in Sunday School as a youngster in Southern Illinois have given me a vital faith in God which has endured throughout my life." Early in his life Mr. Ives began his singing career as an evangelistic singer. Later he distinguished himself as an actor and singer, yet he returns in this record to sing the children's songs along with the Radio Kids Bible Club Children's Choir. Among the eighteen songs are: Brighten The Corner, Jesus Loves The Little Children, Jesus Loves Me, and I Have Decided.



EASTSIDE CHURCH, Jackson will enter their new building, pictured above, for the first time on November 10.

Eastside, Jackson, Moves To New Location

Eastside Church, Jackson, will enter their new building for the first time on November 10. The church is moving its location from Old Brandon Road, Jackson, to King Heights Subdivision, off Highway 80 East.

Both educational building and sanctuary have been completed. The latter will seat about 400 persons. Lee and Brumfield were architects.

According to the pastor, Rev. Howard Benton, the public is

invited to worship with the members of Eastside Church on November 10, Sunday school at 9:45 and morning preaching service at 11.

The Building Committee for this new structure included Paul Penner, chairman, E. C. Different, Mrs. Irwin Smith, and Mrs. Johnny Wood.

Eastside Church, Rankin County, was first organized as a mission in 1927, and as a church in 1931, with 17 charter members. The present membership is 250.

Rev. L. S. Polk was the first full-time pastor, serving from 1945 through 1952. Pastors preceding him were R. E. Larson, T. S. Magee, Ivan Lowry, Ray Frank Robbins, H. R. Herrington, W. E. Bailey, Harold Clower, and Ellis Murry. Pastors following Polk have been Harold O'Chester, J. B. Sebastian, Robert F. Tucker, Ace McVay, and Howard Benton. Rev. Benton has been pastor since 1952.

Radio-TV Agency Approves Budget

FORT WORTH, Tex. — Members of Southern Baptists' Radio-TV Commission last Thursday closed a two-day meeting at the agency headquarters building in Fort Worth by approving a 1964 budget of \$919,334.00.

Dr. Andrew Hall, pastor of First Church, Fayetteville, Ark., and chairman of the agency's finance committee, said this is an all-time high budget for the commission but in keeping with its ever-expanding radio and television ministry to the world.

The 25 representatives from 20 different states, also heard Huppelheuser and White, architects, discuss plans for a proposed new commission building to be erected in the Ridgmar Plaza area of West Fort Worth. The new building will contain some 40,000 square feet and is expected to cost \$800,000. No date has been set for starting the construction.

Dr. Herschel H. Hobbs, pastor of First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, and speaker on the commission's weekly radio program, "The Baptist Hour" for the past five years, closed the meeting with an inspirational address.

Bound copies of sermons preached by Hobbs on the program were presented to board members in an informal observance of his fifth anniversary on the broadcast.

Next Meeting Set
Next meeting of the commission's executive committee will be held in Houston 13-15. Rev. Brooks Wester, pastor of Park Place Church, Houston, is chairman of the commission. "Faith Is A Star," a collection of 60 radio interviews in book form, was introduced to the commission. It was cited as a type of promotion for the half-hour variety radio program, "Master Control" which is now aired weekly by nearly 300 stations. The book, published by E. P. Dutton Co., is on sale at

book stores all over the country. The radio production committee unveiled two new pilot programs for review by the group, and opportunities for special projects were outlined.

"There are 4,838 radio outlets in the United States," Theodore Lott, radio production chief, reported. "It is our goal to present the gospel of Christ over as many of these as possible."

Presently the commission services about 1200 stations a week with its programs.

The television committee told of two forthcoming hour-long color specials to be presented jointly by Southern Baptists and the National Broadcasting Company. One will be shown next spring on the journeys of the Apostle Paul, and in 1965 a tentative film on Biblical archaeology will be telecast.

Seminary Prof Is Music Critic

FORT WORTH (BP)—Robert Douglass, music professor at Southwestern Seminary, has been selected as official music critic for the Fort Worth Star Telegram.

Douglass will write reviews for symphony concerts, opera productions and other concerts, recitals and productions.

More than 100,000 Jehovah's Witnesses

Witnesses braved sticky, rainy weather Sunday, July 14, to attend the final session of their eight-day international convention in and around Yankee Stadium, New York City. Delegates came from the United States, South and Central America, Canada, and the Caribbean area. There are about 1,000,000 of them over the world, with 308,000 in 4,708 congregations in the United States.

Parchman Announces Hobby Show, Appeals For Christmas Gifts

The annual Hobby Show for Mississippi State Penitentiary at Parchman will be held on Sunday, November 24, from 1 to 6 P.M., in the Community House there. The public is invited.

Over 1200 items all made by the inmates of the Penitentiary, will be on display for sale to the public. The items consist of billfolds, bags, belts and brief cases all made of hand-tooled leather; jewelry cases, toys, stuffed animals, walking sticks, T-V lamps, various pieces of furniture, spreads, pillows, etc.

The inmates make these items in their spare time and all profit from the sales goes to them.

Mrs. C. E. Breazeale, wife of the Superintendent, is in charge of the Hobby Show.

Christmas Gifts
Mrs. Breazeale has made an appeal for Christmas gifts to the inmates, noting that gifts from churches will be all many will get at Christmas. "Please pray about this," she writes, "and send us such merchandise as we can give them. We cannot give them razor blades, or anything that has alcoholic content. Bottles which contain hair tonic cannot be given to inmates. Please give candy, chewing gum, fruits, soap, socks, handkerchiefs, etc. Do not send the merchandise ready wrapped, because it will be necessary

for us to unwrap same to censor it. We prefer checks since we can buy such articles as we use wholesale.

"You may desire to assign this worthy project to your Adult Bible Class or Women's Organization. Please try to make your contribution by December 1st and not later than December 15th, since it will be necessary for us to package the articles and distribute to every inmate."

Is Licensed At Friendship

Friendship Church, Adams County, licensed J. G. Hood to the gospel ministry on August 18.

Rev. Hood attended Holmes Junior College at Goodman. He is married to the former Frieda Powell. Both he and his wife are natives of Yazoo County. They have two children, Debra, 10, and Mike, 6.

Rev. Hood, who is available for either pulpit supply or for a pastorate, may be addressed at 146 Mt. Carmel Drive, Nathez.

Rev. C. R. Wicker is pastor at Friendship.

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Pictured above is Mr. Lee Franklin, who will be the featured speaker for the Brotherhood Rally Banquet, which will meet in the Masonic Temple at 5:30 P.M., November 11. Mr. Franklin is widely known as an afternoon dinner speaker is perhaps one of the foremost inspirational humorist of today.

The Brotherhood Rally Banquet Tickets are now being sold from the Brotherhood Department, P. O. Box 536, Jackson. Please get yours early.



DALE RAYBURN drew the above sketch of West Union Church, Pearl River County.

West Union Erects New Educational Unit

Members of West Union Church, Pearl River Association, occupied a new educational unit for the first time, October 27. Groundbreaking ceremonies were held May 5, 1963 for the new unit shown at right in the picture above.

This brick building has about 3,000 square feet of floor space and will be valued at approximately \$20,000.00 when it is completely furnished. It houses the following facilities: prayer room, pastor's study, church office, adult department with a department assembly—dining room combination, kitchen, rest rooms and storage. It connects with the original educational unit, placing all under one roof and will double the

total square feet of educational space.

Special dedication services were held September 15 for a prayer room which was furnished by Earl, Louis and Frankie Mae Powell in memory of their brother, Jesse Fred Powell. It is located immediately to the front of the

building and remains open at all times for the church family and friends to use.

The building committee members are Hollis Stockstill, chairman; Houston Kirkland, and Herb Penton.

Rev. Wendell A. Gilmore is pastor of the West Union Baptist Church.

Historically Speaking

By J. L. Boyd

It is given unto some to make history, unto others to write and preserve history. History worth making is certainly worth preserving. To be preserved, history must be writ-

ten, since unwritten history is soon forgotten. Why make history and hide it? That is, neglect to write it in story form and publish it?

We do a disservice to those who come after us when we fail to write our history for the benefit of those who follow. In the opinion of the true historian, it is foolish, yea even silly, to make history and fail to have it written and provide for its preservation.

The year 1964 is the climactic year of the BAPTIST JUBILEE ADVANCE IN THIS HEMISPHERE OF NORTH AMERICA, commemorating the progress during the 250 years from 1714 to 1964. It behooves all Baptists to take stock of their rich heritage and write it down. Every Baptist church and institution and agency and organization should ponder their opportunity and responsibility of harkening unto the Lord God who said, "Look unto the rock whence ye were hewn, and to the hole of the pit whence ye were digged. And don't neglect to write it down."

The Mississippi Baptist Historical Commission in keeping with the purposes for which it was created is seeking to stir up an interest in this vital matter of doing something special in 1964 among Mississippi Baptists.

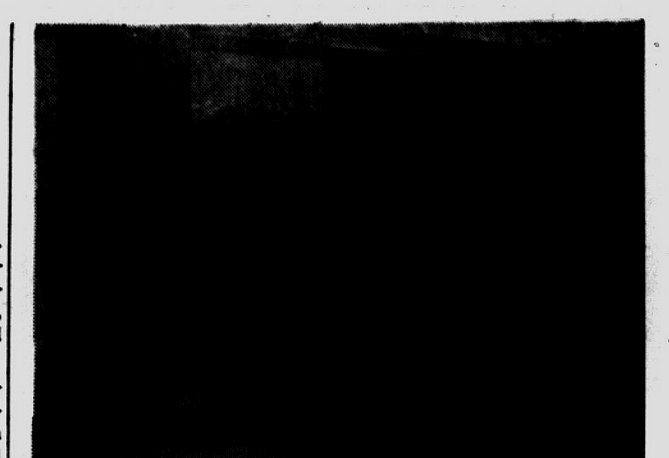
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teacher may speak to groups of students, or to the whole class over the monitor. Twenty-four pianos may be used at one time with this unique system. William C. Day of the Clarke Music Department directs this program.



GAIL HEITMAN, a Junior and an organ major at Blue Mountain College, has accepted the position as organist at First Church, Ripley. She succeeds Betty Shumaker who resigned to enter the University of Alabama. Miss Heitman is the daughter of Sgt. and Mrs. Wallace Heitman of Lawton, Oklahoma.

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SOUTH OF THE BORDER — The continent of South America holds special interest for Mr. and Mrs. Sammy L. Simpson, graduate students at Mississippi State University. They hope to serve as missionary and teacher in Ecuador after graduation next Spring. Mr. Simpson is completing requirements for his fourth academic degree.

STATE STUDENT'S GOAL— AGRICULTURAL MISSIONARY TO SOUTH AMERICA

A graduate student at Mississippi State University, Starkville, plans to parley four academic degrees in a career as an agricultural missionary to Ecuador.

The distance to the South American country from the MSU campus is about 2500 miles.

For S a m m y L. Simpson of Blue Mountain the span can also be measured by nearly an equal number of hours of study spent in earning undergraduate degrees in sociology, agriculture and theology.

The 28-year-old ordained minister, who works as a research assistant in the Agronomy Department at Mississippi

State, will receive his Master's Degree in agronomy crops next spring.

Simpson earned his degree in sociology in 1956 at Mississippi College at Clinton and a bachelor of science degree in general agriculture in 1958 at Mississippi State. He was awarded a bachelor of divinity degree in 1961 by Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth.

Next spring Simpson hopes to receive a life appointment by Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board as an agricultural missionary in South America.

Simpson said he decided on this career after realizing the problems of food production and the need for the spreading of Christianity in the underdeveloped countries of the world.

What is the first thing that the new missionary appointee with four college degrees will be required to do?

"I'll have at least another year of college," Simpson explained. "I will attend a church-related school of language in Costa Rica where I will study nothing but the language of the country where I will work."

When Simpson receives his Master's diploma next June, his wife will be in the same commencement procession. Mrs. Simpson, the former Sue Kelley of Tupelo, will be awarded a Master's degree in English. She is presently an assistant in the MSU English Department.

Mrs. Simpson shares her husband's ambition "to serve the spiritual and material needs of people in countries less fortunate than ours." She will teach school in Ecuador.

The Simpsons are planning now for their work in South America which will take them out of the United States for four or five years at a time. They have two children, Charles, 3, Bradford, six months.

Simpson now serves as pastor of the Friendship Baptist Church at Columbus. He has also served pastorates at Walnut, Miss., and Nocona, Texas.

POAU To Sponsor Exhibit At World's Fair

Visitors to the World's Fair in New York will find a witness to the American principles of church-state separation and religious liberty in an exhibit sponsored by Protestants and Other Americans United for Separation of Church and State.

Glenn L. Archer, executive director of POAU, announced that the organization has contracted for exhibit space in the two-year fair which starts in April 1964. The display will be housed in the Protestant Center.

Dr. Louie D. Newton, pastor of the Druid Hills Baptist Church in Atlanta, Ga., is national president of POAU.

The Majima Company, Ltd., of Tokyo, has put on the market a "raindrop machine" — a gadget that is supposed to put the insomniac to sleep with the soothing sound of raindrops. The manufacturer has already begun marketing a "mother heart" — a breast-shaped device that gives off the sound of heartbeats. It is supposed to put crying babies to sleep.

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Cali Seminary Enrolls 35; 19 New Students

Nineteen new students enrolled in the International Baptist Theological Seminary, Cali, Colombia, for this term, bringing the total enrollment to 35, largest for the first term of any years, says Mrs. Donald L. Orr, Southern Baptist missionary on the faculty.

In addition, two lay workers from Cali are auditing classes. One of them, a young woman, has begun and established several mission points in the area.

Six of the new students are working toward the highest degree the seminary offers, licentiate in theology or Christian education. "We can see great possibilities for our music program, since several of the students have definite music ability and some special training," Mrs. Orr says. Two of the men play the piano, and one was formerly a singer in the entertainment world.

Four couples from Ecuador are in the new class. One of these, Mr. and Mrs. Alberto Lopez, were baptized into the fellowship of a Baptist church in Cali shortly after their arrival.

An atheistic commentator on a recent broadcast by Moscow radio said that one of the reasons life expectancy in Soviet Russia has increased from thirty-two years, in the time of the Czars, to sixty-nine years as claimed at present, is that fewer people are baptized in water now. He said that baptism is a "health menace" and called it "a senseless and dangerous rite," declaring that "thousands" of babies die of pneumonia following christening ceremonies, and that "weak hearts" and "weak lungs" in adults have been traced to baptism in their early years.

When one exposes himself to the searching gaze and seeking love of God... the "ultimate meaning of life" is then one grandiose philosophy of life; it is not a speculative theory about life; it is not even a theological insight; it is life lived in openness and self-giving. Dr. Thomas E. McCollough, BAPTIST STUDENT.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON—

Christian Victory

By Clifton J. Allen

1 Corinthians 15:1-6

The central truth of the lesson is the fact of the resurrection of the dead and the cer-

tainity of Christian victory. The resurrection of Jesus was central in New Testament preaching. Even so, there was misunderstanding among the believers in Corinth about the matter. It was not so much doubt about Christ's resurrection as of the general resurrection of the dead. Paul's treatment of the subject in 1 Corinthians 15 is the classic on the resurrection and an inspiring exposition of this great doctrine. The last chapter of the epistle deals chiefly with Paul's travel plans and his personal greetings and admonitions.

Death is an undeniable fact in human experience. How shall we face it—with fear or with hope? For Christians there is hope. But how real is this hope? How does it affect everyday experience? Does it supply assurance and motivation for tireless service?

The Lesson Explained

CHRIST IS RISEN (vv. 20-23)

For emphasis, in the preceding verses, Paul described the futility and misery of men "if Christ be not risen" from the dead. Then Paul affirmed the indisputable fact: Christ is risen. He is therefore the first of the innumerable ones to rise from the dead. "In Adam all die"—humanity is subject to death. "In Christ shall all be made alive"—his resurrection is the assurance of the resurrection of all men. Christ is already risen, but the resurrection of humanity will come with Christ's return at the end of the age. Here we have historical fact. Christ the Son of God was crucified; he died; he was buried. But he arose on the third day and showed himself alive by many proofs. The Christian gospel rests on this fact.

CHRIST MUST REIGN (vv. 24-26)

Paul declared the certainty of an end point in history, the certainty of the ultimate victory of the kingdom of God. Christ will come again. His coming will mean the victory of his kingdom and the consummation of God's redemptive work. When Christ has overcome all opposition to the sovereignty of God—"all rule

and all authority and power"—he will deliver the triumphant kingdom to the Father. The purpose of Christ's redemptive work will then be fulfilled, and his victory will be complete. In the meantime, "He must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet," including the last enemy, death itself. Christ must reign because all authority in heaven and on earth are his, because he is the Lord's Anointed, because he has the keys of death and of Hades, because his kingdom is everlasting, and because the omnipotent Spirit of God is actively engaged in bringing into subjection to Christ every principality and power and might and dominion in this world.

DEATH IS CONQUERED (vv. 51-58)

These verses are a majestic hymn of praise to the certainty of immortality. Christians can find comfort in the absolute certainty of life after death and of the ultimate resurrection when Christ returns. The present body of flesh and blood will not be suitable for the spiritual realm of the redeemed after Christ returns. Some people will be living when Christ comes back again. They will not experience normal death, but they will be changed; and those who are already dead will be raised. The corruptible body which dies and perishes will be superseded by an incorruptible body in the resurrection.

Death has lost its sting because the grave has lost its power. The sting of death is due to sin, and sin has been revealed by the law. But the living Christ means deliverance from both. He delivers from guilt and weakness and fear. He gives eternal life to all that trust him. The victory of Christ over death and the certain fact of the resurrection call us to be steadfast in faith and unmovable in our fidelity to the Lord Jesus Christ; they call us to give ourselves in fresh devotion to the work of the Lord.

Truths to Live By
The Christian hope sanctifies life.—The Christian is as-

ured of sharing in the triumph and glory of the kingdom of Christ. Hope like this makes life worth living, worth all the struggle involved, worth whatever suffering one may be called on to endure, and worth whatever success or failure or disappointment may be one's lot. As Christians, we have hope of the realization of our highest dreams and noblest purposes and of serving God with a devotion unmarred by sin and weakness for ever and ever. If we keep this hope at the center of our thinking, it will purge our lives of uncleanness and selfishness, of laziness and despair. It will create in us a dynamic force to overcome temptation and weakness, to pray with confidence, to endure affliction bravely, and to live—as it were on tiptoe—for the coming of Christ in the glory of his kingdom.

Christian service has eternal potential. — Death is not the end. There is life after death. Christ will reign until all enemies are subdued. Therefore, all that we do not in the name of Christ—whether feeding the hungry, helping some person in need, working to build up the life of the church and to set forward its work, daring to lift one's voice or risk one's life for justice, going as a witness for Christ to the uttermost part of the earth, or trying with humility to live in honesty and purity and love—whatever is done in the name of Christ will not be in vain.

Christian victory is possible now.—By the power of the Spirit of Christ, the Christian can triumph over fear and lust and pride and jealousy and every other device of Satan. Even now we can show forth something of the beauty of Christ in terms of purity and gentleness and courage and compassion. Even now we can overthrow strongholds of iniquity and liberate enslaved victims of sin. Even now we can build churches to hold forth the word of life and to represent Christ in the midst of an un-

THE BAPTIST RECORD

Thursday, November 7, 1963



Donald W. Looser

Carthage Calls Music Minister

Donald William Looser, a native of Lufkin, Texas, has accepted a call as Minister of Music from First Church, Carthage. He assumed his duties in the church on the last Sunday in October.

Mr. Looser has a Bachelor's degree from Baylor University and a Master's degree in Sacred Music from Northwestern University. His ministry at Carthage will be in addition to his responsibilities at Mississippi College, where he now serves as a Professor of Music Education.

Rev. Robert S. Magee is pastor.

J. E. Lane's Sister Dies

Mrs. Devina Smith, sister of J. E. Lane of Jackson (employee of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board for almost 22 years, who retired last week) died October 29 in Los Angeles, California.

Funeral services were held October 31 in Hollywood; interment was in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Burbank, Calif.

Mrs. Smith was a native of New Hebron, Mississippi, the daughter of the late L. M. Lane. She died of cancer, at 73.

Survivors include one brother, Mr. Lane, and several nieces and nephews.

believing and corrupt and self-seeking generation.

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PRESENTING...



Fourteen informative, inspirational, Christ honoring, soul winning, and church building messages by Dr. Byram H. Glaze, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, Columbus, Georgia.

God has kept Dr. Glaze for more than fifteen years as pastor of this growing church. He has served on many committees in the Association, and has been president of the Baptist Pastor's conference. It has been his privilege to preach the Doctrinal and the Missionary sermons at the Association meetings. In 1959 Trinity College of Clearwater, Fla. honored him with a D.D. degree for outstanding pastoral work. Loving evangelism, he has preached in revivals in six states and Cuba. The Calvary Baptist Church has broadcast its Sunday morning service for over ten years.

You will find these messages Bible centered, and different from any you have read. They were written to be a great blessing to all who will read them. Dr. Glaze has had thousands of letters and orders from 49 states and 19 foreign countries. Many, many of these communications tell of the blessings received from reading these sermons and of souls being saved.

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1. "THE FUTURE OF AMERICA UNDER A CATHOLIC PRESIDENT"
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3. "THE RESURRECTION OF THE BODY"
4. "20 REASONS WHY YOU MUST BE SAVED"
5. "A MESSAGE FROM THE DEVIL"
6. "A MESSAGE FROM HELL TO YOU"
7. "THE DEVIL'S DELIGHTS"
8. "THESE BABIES I HAVE MET"
9. "YES SIR, WHY YOU DO NOT GO TO CHURCH"
10. "A MESSAGE FROM JOHN TO DADDY"
11. "YOUR CHILD"
12. "DEVIL'S JUICE"
13. "BIBLE REASONS WHY YOU SHOULD GO TO CHURCH"
14. "THE WRATH OF GOD"

A letter from the Devil to unfaithful church members, makes Christians think. It cuts like a two-edged sword. The author has been praised and cursed for this message. A lady writes, "This message alone is worth a dollar to me."

The author believes the rich man in Hell would love to tell people on earth what Hell is like, and tries to describe it from his knowledge of the Bible. You will never forget this message after reading it. A lady from Columbus, Ga., writes, "I read your message, then got on my knees, repented of my sins and accepted Christ as my Saviour." A lady from Memphis, Tenn., writes, "I have used your 'A Message From Hell To You' so much it has helped me to win four Catholics to the Lord. And one of those has already won two others."

The author gives six things he would do if he were the Devil. This is a thought-provoking, life-changing message. Five people made public decisions for the Lord the morning this sermon was preached.

A description of the activities of "Church Babies," calling them by name, is presented in this sermon. It should be placed in the hands of every unfaithful church member.

These reasons will certainly blast the excuses people make for not attending church by showing from the Bible why they do not go.

This heart warming and touching message written from the viewpoint of a Junior boy to his daddy about going to church.

Parents' responsibility to provide a Christian home for their children, to see that they are saved, to take, not send, them to God's house, is shown in this presentation and should be placed in every home.

A Bible-centered, sin denouncing message against strong drink. It will move your soul and life into action against this tool of the Devil.

No one will ever be the same after reading this Bible centered, hard hitting message. It will close the mouth of the ungodly.

You will find this message to be a very strong warning to sinners and backsliders. The only way to appreciate the message is to read it.

These booklets will get results for the Lord and the church. One man in Jasper, Alabama, has ordered \$48.75 worth of these messages to use in visitation. Mr. Wayne DeHart, a businessman of Hickory, North Carolina, bought 4,000 to use in laymen-led revivals. They are printed in fourteen individual booklets with attractive and unusual eye-catching jackets. They are designed to win the lost, train and develop the saved, and to be used in God's service through the church.

A book of fourteen messages would ordinarily cost from \$4.00 to \$6.00. You may have a complete set for only \$2.00 (two). Send your order today for these life changing messages. Do not delay. You will forget it tomorrow. Allow 14 days for delivery. Send all orders to: CALVARY CRUSADE, P. O. BOX 2290, COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, 31902

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Sunshine Leads Rankin County In Baptisms

Sunshine Church, organized three years ago with 44 charter members set an all-time Rankin County Association baptismal record with a total of 63 for this church year.

There have also been 58 additions to the church by letter, bringing the present membership to 208. Sunshine is one of the newest of the 43 churches in the 71-year-old Rankin Association.

Within six months after organization, Sunshine Church was in its own building. This year the church has completed and furnished the sanctuary, and added a 16-room educational annex (in which a central heating system is now being installed.)

The Sunday school has 205 enrolled, and the Training Union has a membership of 132.

Deacons are Walter Westberry, Luther Stevenson, R. C. Denson, and Ted Sanderson. Rev. Shalley Vaughn is the pastor.

Broadman Author SS Lesson Writer

NASHVILLE—A Broadman Press author, Clarence W. Cranford, has been named writer of the syndicated international Sunday School Lessons, beginning in January. He succeeds Roy L. Smith.

Dr. Cranford is pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Washington, D. C.

A former president of American Baptist Convention and former chairman of Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, Dr. Cranford is author of "The Over-flowing Live," one of the three books in the Broadman readers plan for first quarter 1964.

The international Bible lesson column is based on the international Sunday School Lesson, uniform series. It is syndicated to American and other newspapers.

New Filmstrip Focuses On SS Witnessing

NASHVILLE—A new Broadman films color filmstrip is available for presentation this fall in each of the 1,152 associations of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Titled "Outreach For The Unreached — Spearhead For Evangelism", the 45-frame filmstrip gives basic details about the program of the Sunday School witnessing campaign.

Dr. A. V. Washburn, secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board's Sunday School Department, recommends that the filmstrip be used to acquaint church members with the program.

A major portion of the filmstrip describes the campaign, which is designed primarily to lead churches in a plan of personal witnessing through the Sunday School.

Detailed information is given on the purposes of the witnessing campaign, preparation activities, and instruction of pastors in the association. A step-by-step program in the churches is presented.

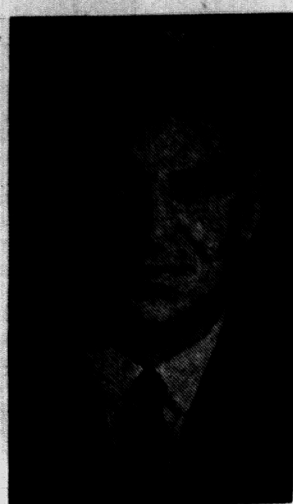
A recording and two manuals are provided with the filmstrip, which is available at Baptist book stores and the Broadman Film Center, Louisville.

Cost of the filmstrip with manuals is \$6.00. The recording is \$3.00.

Revival Dates

Emmanuel, Jackson: November 8-10; youth-led revival; Rev. John Brock (pictured), pastor of Union Church in Smith County, evangelist; Gene Rester, music director; Rev. W. R. Storie, pastor.

First Church, Tupelo: November 8-10; Rev. Lloyd Bardowell, born of Lobbance parents in Jamaica, full-time evangelist, preacher.



Rev. Jimmy H. Hipp

Accepts Texas Pastorate

Rev. Jimmy H. Hipp has resigned the pastorate of Friendship Church, McComb, to accept the pastorate of First Church, Seagoville, Texas. Rev. Hipp has served the Friendship Church for the past two years and three months.

A native of Randolph, Mississippi College and the B. D. degree from New Orleans Seminary. He is married to the former Betty Ann Priddy of Oakland, Texas. The Hips have four children: Judy, Jimmy Jr., David, and Steven.

Prior to the Mississippi pastorate Rev. Hipp pastored for seven years in Louisiana. The pastor's family will move to Seagoville, Texas on November 19 to begin the new work.

Astronomy shouts that God is still alive and active; He is a God of overwhelming majesty and judging from His heavenly bodies He is beautiful to behold. Astronaut John Glenn said that up there the stars looked like jewels on black velvet. The size and number of them shame the grains of sand on all our seashores. We only know that distance means nothing to Him, and our orbiting in space is like racing around a marble in His bag. The heavens preach God's ability eloquently; the stars are salesmen of His government. They say without fear of contradiction, that He is big enough, intelligent enough to trust. — David A. Redding in PSALMS OF DAVID. (Fleming H. Revell Company).



A KNEE INJURED in a football game at Pearl River Central High School and resulting surgery at Forrest General Hospital, Hattiesburg, prevented Larry Watkins from attending Training Union on Sunday night, October 20. This was his first time to miss Training Union in over nine years. In May, 1954, he and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Watkins, started attending Union Church, Pearl River Association, and Larry had not missed Training Union a single time since. Now 16, he is a member of Intermediate Union 2, Mrs. Clarice Smith, leader.

A lecture series on the four Gospels of the New Testament will be televised in September under auspices of the National Council of Churches' Broadcasting and Film Commission in co-operation with NBC Public Affairs. The weekly half-hour telecasts will be part of the NBC-TV regular Sunday religious program "Frontiers of Faith." Speaker on the series, starting September 8, will be Robert C. Campbell, dean of California Baptist Theological Seminary in Covina, a noted Bible scholar, and an American (Northern) Baptist minister.

If the Christian takes seriously his challenge of discipleship, he will be filled with the desire to follow Christ's teaching. His lack of adequate family background, physical attractiveness, or ability will not discourage him from striving to become the person that Christ would have him be. — James Daniel, BAPTIST STUDENT.

DEVOTIONAL—

"Behold, He Prayeth"

By Rev. J. W. T. Siler
Pastor, New Hebron Baptist Church

Acts 9:11

The expression "Behold, he prayeth" in Acts 9:11 speaks of Paul's first prayer after his conversion on the Damascus Road. Paul had been a religious man for several years and had said many prayers, but upon his encounter with Christ, prayer became communion with God. This is one of the grand lessons from Paul's conversion.

Vastly more important than words in prayer is the attitude of the soul, and that the desire of the heart shall be in keeping with God's will. It is indeed a very solemn thought that man can commune with God, and that God is concerned that men do pray to him. Earthly parents are so anxious that their children commune with them, and work patiently with them and wait for the time when they shall respond. Likewise, God is anxious that we talk to him.

Paul's first real prayer recognized his helplessness in his own strength. Prayer became the channel through which Paul could obtain divine guidance and spiritual resources to be used in the extension of the Kingdom of God. The contents of Paul's prayers serve as a source of spiritual riches. We, too, may make the grand discovery that prayer is a spiritual instrument through which we may serve God acceptably.

Surely God hears and answers prayer in our day. Are we not challenged to be more diligent in prayer, and to follow the laws which govern prayer? Then we may be confident that the Lord will look down upon us and say, "Behold, he prayeth."

Roseland Park Sells \$75,000

Worth Of Bonds In Four Days

Roseland Park Church, Pica-yune, Miss. recently engaged in a successful Building and Stewardship Campaign in which \$75,000 worth of bonds were sold to members and friends of the church in four days time.

Dr. Ralph Kyle of the Economy Plan of Church in four days time.

Dr. Ralph Kyle of the Economy Plan of Church Financing of Atlanta, Ga. led in this program. The bonds, which yield a guaranteed 6% interest paid semi-annually, were sold quickly, with about 75% of them bought by the local congregation.

The purpose of the campaign was to raise money to pay off an indebtedness and to erect a new educational building of brick veneer construction. The floor area of the new building will be 10,000 square feet, which will make the educational space accommodate about 550 people in Sunday school.

The Architecture Department of the Sunday School

Board will serve as architect for the building program.

The pastor of Roseland Park Church is Rev. Edward L. Griffin.

Europe's English Baptists Add 3 Churches

Approximately 200 people attended the fifth annual meeting of the Association of Baptists in Continental Europe, held October 11-12 at Immanuel Baptist Church, Madrid, Spain. President Ray Hume, of Bad Kreuznach, Germany, presided.

The Association, an English-language organization formed in 1958 by two churches in Germany, now includes 26 churches and missions in Germany, France, Luxembourg, and Spain. Three were received into the fellowship at the Madrid meeting: Emmanuel Baptist Church, Paris, France; First Baptist Church, Toul, France; and Bavarian



THE NEW SANCTUARY of Shelton Church near Moselle in Jones County seats around 300 people. Rev. C. R. Robinson is the pastor.

Shelton (Jones) Enters New Sanctuary

Shelton Church, Jones County, celebrated annual Homecoming Day October 13 in their new sanctuary.

Rev. W. P. Young, superintendent of missions, Jones County Association, delivered the morning message. Following lunch at the church, John Speedling and Charlotte Clinton, Carey College students, led in an afternoon music program.

Shelton Church was organized September 4, 1907, with 14 charter members. The first building had four single walls and no ceiling for several

years! This structure was finally completed, and later eight Sunday school rooms were added. (The first building is still in use for Sunday school.)

Rev. C. R. Robinson has been pastor of the Shelton Church since January, 1962. Under his leadership, the church has seen 12 years of its best progress.

The new sanctuary, fully airconditioned and heated, has a seating capacity of 300. It contains a baptistry and choir loft.

Shelton deacons are R. V. Smith, J. D. Palmer, D. L.

Warren, T. L. Smith, J. T. Hough, and C. D. Howard.

Break-In At S. C. Baptist Building

COLUMBIA, S. C.—A break-in occurred at the new Baptist Building, in Columbia, S. C., between 3:30-5:30 a.m., Friday morning, November 1. A broken window at a ground-floor storage room was discovered by city police during routine patrol of the area.

It was found that an intruder had entered the building and had broken five additional interior doorwindows, thereby gaining entrance to several offices. Desks had been ransacked in an apparent effort to locate money. According to business manager Flynn T. Harrell nothing has been determined to be missing. City police are continuing the investigation, along with several other break-ins in the vicinity.

clerk; Missionary James G. Stertz, Russelsheim, Germany, treasurer; Teddy Palmore, Chateauroux, France, Sunday school superintendent; Don Holt, Toul, Training Union director; Don Moore, Frankfurt, Brotherhood president; and Mrs. Edith Franz, Frankfurt, Woman's Missionary Union president.



Rev. Z. T. Winningham

New Missions Superintendent In Alabama

Rev. Zack T. Winningham has resigned as pastor of the Lucien Church to become superintendent of missions for Winston County Association in Alabama. His new address will be Double Springs, Alabama.

Rev. Winningham is married to the former Donnie Ladner of Purvis. They have one son, Guy, age 4. The church gave them a surprise shower the Wednesday night prior to their leaving Lucien.

He attended Mississippi College and New Orleans Seminary.

While Winningham was pastor at Lucien, the church was airconditioned; carpet was installed in the auditorium; and new pulpit furniture was purchased. The building was equipped with a new roof and redecorated inside and outside.

The church fulfills its mission not by establishing itself as a large and successful institution, but by entering into the real life, struggles, problems, and questions of men in the world in order to serve them in the spirit of Christ. — Robert D. Lovell, BAPTIST STUDENT.



COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

Hickory Grove Adopts Resolution On Prayer Ruling

The ladies of the Adult Sunday school class of Hickory Grove Church, Route 2, Sumrall, in Lamar County, adopted a resolution on October 20 concerning the Supreme Court ruling on prayer and Bible reading in the public schools.

The resolution strongly expressed the hope that freedom of prayer and Bible reading in the schools would not be wholly destroyed.

It is also expressed the group's opposition to any cooperation with the National Council of Churches.

Those signing the resolution were: Mrs. Beulah Shows, Mrs. Hollis Douglas, Mrs. Porter Hudson, Mrs. Earl Graves, Mrs. Florence Broome, Mrs. L. A. Evans, Mrs. L. C. Akers, Mrs. J. O. Stephens, Mrs. W. T. Johnson, Mrs. L. V. Lee, Mrs. E. Fernandez, Mrs. L. E. Fortenberry, and Mrs. Max Lott.

The Hickory Grove Church, in special session on October 23, adopted a similar resolution. Rev. W. T. Johnson is the pastor.

India State Rejects Mission Limitation Bill

BHOPAL, India (RNS)—The Madhya Pradesh State legislature rejected a bill that would have prevented conversions by Christian foreign missionaries. Introduced last April by a member of an extremist Hindu group, the bill was defeated by a voice vote after Shaker Ali Khan, Communist Party member, had expressed half-hearted support for it.

The bill accused foreign missionaries of spreading anti-national propaganda and making converts by offering monetary inducements or other illegal means.

However, Chief Minister D. P. Mishra said he thought the bill was unconstitutional and beyond the competence of the legislature. Other members, including Education Minister S. D. Sharma, opposed the bill as unconstitutional.

F. A. Kemos, an Anglo-Indian member, said the bill was contrary to the spirit of the Indian constitution which guarantees religious freedom.



Rev. Grady Goodman ACCEPTS CALL TO ALABAMA

Rev. Grady Goodman, Jr., who for the past seven years has served as pastor of Second Church, Leland, has resigned to accept the call of the Corner Memorial Church, Alexander City, Alabama. His work on the new field will begin on Sunday, November 17.

Rev. Goodman has been a pastor for fourteen years and his entire ministry has been in the Mississippi Delta, having served churches in Sunflower, Bolivar, and Washington Counties. Under his leadership at Leland, the church has built a new auditorium and a new pastory.

For two years, Rev. Goodman led the Washington County Association as moderator, and served for two years as chairman of the Missions Committee of the Association. He has also served on the board of the Negro Baptist Seminary and various other committees. He is married to the former Annabelle McDonald, a native of Washington County; they have three children. He is a graduate of Clarke College and has attended Mississippi College.

Churches In The News

First Church, Isola (Humphreys Association) will honor the Isola High School football team at a Football Festival at the high school cafeteria on Friday, November 8, at 7 p.m. The ladies of the church will prepare the food. The main feature of the program will be a film entitled, "Goal to Go." Rev. Bob Maddux is pastor.